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Editorial Note: Photo of Far Hills Country Day School National Geographic GeoBee winner, Far Hills Country Day School Grade 7 student John Plummer is attached.



GRADE 7 STUDENT WINS FAR HILLS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL'S
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GEOBEE

Local Students Compete in the First Round of National Competition

[FAR HILLS, NJ: JANUARY 23, 2020]—Students from Far Hills Country Day School participated in the school competition of the National Geographic GeoBee on Tuesday, January 21, 2020. John Plummer, a Grade 7 student, won first place, with Winston Valentine, a Grade 6 student, winning second place and Sean Bernard, a Grade 5 student, finishing third place.

The school competition is the first round in the annual National Geographic GeoBee, a geography competition designed to inspire and reward students' curiosity about the

world. Questions cover not only geography, but also ancient and world civilizations, cultures, and physical features.

The National Geographic Society developed the GeoBee in 1989 in response to concern about the lack of geographic knowledge among young people in the United States. Over more than three decades, more than 120 million students have learned about the world through participation in the GeoBee.

School champions, including Far Hills's John Plummer, will take an online qualifying test; up to 100 of the top test scorers in each state then become eligible to compete in their State GeoBee. The winners of the State GeoBees receive an all-expenses-paid trip to participate in the GeoBee national championship in Spring 2020. Students will be competing for cash prizes, scholarships and an all-expenses-paid Lindblad expedition to the Galápagos Islands aboard the National Geographic Endeavour II. Learn more at www.natgeobee.org.

In addition to the GeoBee, National Geographic also offers classroom resources, student experiences and professional development opportunities for educators.

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ABOUT FAR HILLS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

Far Hills Country Day School is a Far Hills, NJ-based co-educational Preschool and Grade 8 private school that is guided by a dual mission to provide each child brilliant beginnings for success in the modern world through academic excellence and character development. Balanced with excellent academic standards that challenge and inspire students at every grade level, respect, responsibility, leadership, kindness, and honesty are nurtured and developed. For more information, visit fhcds.org or call 908-766-0622.

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