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La Lumiere School Takes Third Place at State Academic Decathlon Tournament

La Porte, IN – February 19, 2010 – Indiana high school students from around the state met to test their mental agility at Purdue University on Feb. 11-12 in the State Academic Decathlon. La Lumiere School placed third in the small school division behind John Glenn High School, Walkerton and Reitz Memorial High School, Evansville. Coach Dustin Smith said this, “We are very pleased with our ability to compete and win at the state level, especially considering our size. With fewer than 200 students, our success against schools with 3 and 4 times our enrollment is quite an accomplishment.”

Picture Caption: Emma Wynn (coach), Randy Mashak, Scott Lee, Cody Steinhiser, Matthew Babcock, Keith Miller, Justin Katz, Conor Luck, Emma Keiley, Dustin Smith (coach), Hillary Zawada

About the Indiana Academic Decathlon

Administered by the Indiana Association of School Principals and funded by Purdue University, the decathlon features teams of students who compete through tests, essays, speeches and interviews to advance to the **United States Academic Decathlon National Championship**. The competition is made up of ten events with objective tests in seven areas (language/literature, math, science, economics, fine arts, music, and history) as well as speech, interview, and essay. The theme for this year’s competition is the French Revolution. Teams consist of up to twelve members with three being designated as Honors (3.75-4.00), three Scholastic (3.00-3.74), and three Varsity (up to 2.99) with three alternates. Each student participates in all 10 events.

About La Lumiere School

La Lumiere is a coeducational lay Catholic boarding and day school with 191 students that provides a comprehensive college preparatory education for qualified young men and women from a rich diversity of backgrounds. La Lumiere School is accredited by the **Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS)**, a membership organization of 230 independent schools from the Midwest. La Lumiere is situated on a beautiful rural estate, 25 miles west of South Bend, 60 miles east of Chicago, and eight miles from both La Porte and New Buffalo.

More information about La Lumiere School can be found at www.lalumiere.org

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