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## Huntingdon Envirothon team competes at state level

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The Huntingdon Area High School Envirothon team advanced to the state Envirothon competition at the University of Pittsburgh Johnstown May 21-22. Team members included, front row, from the left, Connor Heath, Sean McLaughlin, Andrea Busko; back row, Daniel Bukowski, Jacob Sunderland and adviser Penny Huntsman.

Submitted photo

The 33rd annual Huntingdon County Envirothon competition was held at the Juniata College Raystown Field Station May 14.

The Envirothon is an academic competition that puts students' knowledge of environmental resources to the test. Twelve teams totaling 54 students from Huntingdon Area High School, Juniata Valley High School, The Grier School, Calvary Christian Academy and Mount Union Area High School competed in five subject areas including forestry, aquatic ecology, soils and land use, wildlife and this year's current issue, "Agriculture and the Environment: Knowledge and Technology to Feed the World."



For the 10th consecutive year, the Huntingdon Area High School Envirothon team won the county event with 428 points and advanced to the state Pennsylvania Envirothon competition held at the University of Pittsburgh Johnstown May 21-22. There, they competed and placed 20th out of 65 other county teams from across the state!

Local agency volunteers managed the stations for the Huntingdon County event, including Jacob Mazzei and Tim Cole (Bureau of Forestry), Amy Nabozny and Rick Macklem (Game Commission), Anthony Quarracino and Corey Girt (Fish and Boat Commission), Jim Steward and Taylor Clark (Natural Resources Conservation Service) and Sherri Law, Jonathon Yoder, Joy Merritts, Andy Patterson, Celina Seftas and Logan Stenger (Huntingdon County Conservation District). Paige Hollibaugh, a current Juniata College student and Huntingdon County Envirothon alumni, also returned as a volunteer.

The Conservation District coordinates the county event and sponsors the winning team to attend the state event. For more information, please call the county event coordinator, Logan Stenger at 627-1627, ext. 3021, or check out the Envirothon website at [www.envirothonpa.org](http://www.envirothonpa.org).