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Hillsdale Academy Wins Big at 2017 Hillsdale County Middle School Quiz Bowl Competition

5th, 6th, and 8th graders take first place

Hillsdale, Mich. — Hillsdale Academy congratulates its students who competed in this year's Hillsdale County Middle School Quiz Bowl Competition. A total of 40 teams participated in the competition, with the Academy's fifth, sixth, and eighth-grade teams finishing in first place in their respective divisions. The Academy's other eighth-grade team finished second.

"We are extremely proud and pleased with how our students performed at this year's competition," said Dr. Ken Calvert, headmaster of Hillsdale Academy. "I truly believe we have some of the brightest kids in the state, and these results are a testament to that belief. Everyone who participated did an excellent job."

Hillsdale Academy wishes to recognize the following first-place and second-place finishers:

First-place 5th grade team: Rykert Frisinger, Sam Clark, Paul Rahe, Lydia Jackson, and Grant Walton First-place 6th grade team: Damion Scharer, Anastasia Rush, Evie Gray, Ridley Fast, and Dominic Scharer First-place 8th grade team: Francesca Rahe, Marius Rood-Menefee, Kiera Welden, Stanley Postula, and Lucas Reynolds

Second-place 8th grade team: Ryan VanHavel, Christian Gossage, Nick Treloar, Spencer Kawalek, and Joel Mekelburg

Photos of the competition can be viewed here.

About Hillsdale Academy

Hillsdale Academy is an independent, classical K-12 day school located on the campus of Hillsdale College. A rigorous course of study is combined with the strong conviction that the biblical and classical virtues are necessary in the formation of the American citizen. The school was established out of the conviction that modern American education was in need of profound reform. More information can be found at <u>Hillsdale.edu/academy</u>.

About Hillsdale College

Hillsdale College, founded in 1844, has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an educational outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a

free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 3.6 million. More information available at <u>Hillsdale.edu</u>.