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Academic Events/Contests

Future Problem Solving

Future problem solving is a year-long program where students in fifth through eighth grade, working in teams of four, learn and apply a six-step problem solving process and apply it to future situations in three practice topics they have researched. The program encourages students to carry out in-depth research, to think creatively and critically, to apply ethical thinking skills and to work as part of a team. Teams ranking high on the third research topic are invited to compete at the state competition. Teams winning the state competition move on to the international competition.

National Geographic Bee

The national Geographic Bee, an educational program of the National Geographic Society, is a nationwide geography competition designed to encourage the study of geography. All students in fifth through eighth grade are asked a series of geography questions. Those students scoring the highest move on to future rounds until a school champion emerges. The school champion then takes a qualifying test to compete at the state level.

Spelling Bee

The spelling bee consists of a competition for third and fourth grade and another fifth through eighth grades. All students are given a classroom-qualifying test, which determines the finalists for the oral spelling bee.

Forensics Nights

Students in fifth through eighth grades are given the opportunity to develop their speaking ability through a variety of categories such as prose, storytelling, poetry, choral reading, and original compositions. Pieces are presented before judges, and students receive evaluations and ribbons.

Forensics Club

Utilizing the same skills as Forensics Night, students in sixth through eighth grade compete against other schools.

Science Fair

All students in third through eighth grade and those in kindergarten through second grade who choose to participate must demonstrate the five components of a science experiment. All projects will be scored, and receive the appropriate ribbon and comments from the evaluator.

Knowledge Bowl

Through a written test given to all sixth grade through eighth grade students, one sixth, one

seventh, one eighth, and one at-large student will comprise the Knowledge Bowl team. The team will compete against the other Lutheran schools in Waukesha County, answering eighty multiple-choice questions and ten short answer questions. The team that answers the most questions correctly is the Knowledge Bowl Champion.