The Eighth Annual Pacific Lutheran University High School Programming Contest was held Saturday, February 10th, at the Morken Center for Learning and Technology.

Thirty-nine teams registered for the contest with 89 students from 25 schools competing for awards and prizes. More information about the contest (e.g., scoreboard, pictures, and problems) can be found at https://www.plu.edu/computer-science/hs-prog-contest/

Congratulations to the following teams:

**Advanced Category:**
1st Place – The Bear Creek School – Team: Bear Creek  
(11 problems in 1106 minutes)

2nd Place - Interlake High School – Team: Grammar Matters  
(10 problems in 710 minutes)

3rd Place – Mercer Island High School – Team: MIHS Programmers  
(10 problems in 915 minutes)

**Novice Category:**
1st Place – Issaquah High School – Team: Singleton  
(8 problems in 571 minutes)

2nd Place – Kamiakin Middle School – Team: Code Titans  
(8 problems in 720-64 minutes)

3rd Place – Willows Preparatory – Team: 1337  
(7 problems in 389 minutes)

All the winning teams received engraved medals and the top team in the advanced category won a perpetual trophy that is engraved with their names and the name of their high school. The winning team will retain the trophy until September to be displayed at their high school.

This year the top represented school (once again) was Auburn Riverside High School with 5 teams. Many thanks to all the schools and coaches for their participation.

Auburn Riverside High School  
Bellarmine Preparatory  
Cascade High School  
Forest Ridge School of the Sacred Heart  
Garfield High School  
Ingraham  
Interlake, Newport  
International Community School  
Issaquah High School
Kamiakin Middle School
Liberty High School
Mercer Island High School
Newport High School
Odle middle school
Olympia High School
Pacific Cascade Middle School - Issaquah
Peninsula High School
Pierce County Skills Center
Prime Factor Math Circle
Redmond high school
Skyline High School
Tesla STEM High School
The Bear Creek School
Washington Middle School
Willows Preparatory

The PLU High School Programming contest takes place the first or second Saturday in February at the Morken Center for Learning and Technology. The contest sponsors include the PLU CS Department, Hewlett Packard, TEALS - Microsoft Corporation, McNeel & Associates, and many generous alumni.

For further information visit the web site www.plu.edu/computer-science/ or contact Dr. Kenneth Blaha by email blahakd@plu.edu or by phone (253) 535-8702.