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Ossining High School Science Research Program Garners Grand Prizes at ISEF

(OSSINING, N.Y.) – All of the student representatives of Ossining High School who attended the annual Intel International Science Fair (ISEF) in Albuquerque, N.M., last weekend received Grand Prize awards, a first for the competition. **Tina Liu** was named second in the world in Behavioral Science; **Supriya Mishra** was named third in the world in Medicine and Health; **Marc Egerman** was named fourth in the world in Biochemistry; **Nathalie Tadena** and **Jessica Palmer** earned third in the world in the Team category, as well as being recognized by the American Psychological Association for the third best team project in the fair; and **Aman Sarup** and **Palak Patel** (of Sayville High School) earned fourth in the world in the Team category, as well as being recognized as one of the top four projects by the American Acoustical Society.

ISEF is the largest pre-collegiate science research competition in the world. In this year's competition more than 1,500 students from more than 45 countries participated.

The Fundamentals of Science Research Program began at OHS in 1998 with 12 students. Today, 70 students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades participate in the three-year program with two full-time science research teachers. Students work with local mentors who are experts in their fields to conceptualize and conduct challenging research, which consistently achieves honors from such groups as Westinghouse, the Intel Science Talent Search, and regional science

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corporations including Progenics Pharmaceuticals, Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Ciba Specialty Chemicals, and Carl Zeiss Microimaging.

Visitors are welcome to attend an upcoming celebration of students' accomplishments, the **9th annual Ossining High School Science Research Symposium, Tuesday, May 29, at 7 p.m. in the Ossining High School Culp Gymnasium.** All 70 students participating in the science research program will showcase their work in areas ranging from robotics to biomedical engineering and environmental science. For more information about this program, please contact Valerie Holmes or Angelo Piccirillo at Ossining High School 914-762-5760 x347.

The Ossining Union Free School District, nationally recognized for its mission to further the success of all children, serves approximately 4,000 pupils in six schools: Roosevelt School for newborn to four-year-olds, Park Early Childhood Center for kindergarten through first grade, Brookside School for grades two and three, Claremont School for grades four and five, Anne M. Dorner Middle School for grades six through eight, and Ossining High School for grades nine through 12.

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