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2025 NSBE Conference Math Competitions

YMWIC Mathletes Compete at the NSBE Conference in Chicago, Illinois



On Wednesday, March 5, 2025, eight talented and excited YMWIC Scholar Mathletes traveled to the NSBE (National Society of Black Engineers) Conference in Chicago, Illinois. To add to the excitement, NSBE was celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year. We entered two teams into the competition, our High School Tri-Math-A-Lon (TMAL) Team and our Middle School MATHCOUNTS Team.

The MATHCOUNTS SIG (Special Interest Group) has been meeting and enjoying math challenges all school year. Both the high school and middle school Mathletes have been working hard and having fun preparing for the Tri-Math-A-Lon (TMAL) and MATHCOUNTS competitions at the 2025 NSBE Conference. While any middle school or high school YMWIC Scholar can partake in the SIG activities, only four Mathletes can be part of each team.



The Middle School MATHCOUNTS Team that represented the YMWIC Foundation was comprised of Gianni Ashley (Grade 8, William Penn Chapter), Maxam Ganges (Grade 8, Upper Darby Chapter), Murad Morris (Grade 7, Upper Darby Chapter), and Team Captain, Michelline Kho (Grade 8, Furness Chapter). They competed with about a dozen NSBE Jr. Teams from all over the country. Our Team worked well together under the direction of their captain and channeled all of their efforts and abilities into achieving a *perfect score*, and landed *1st Place* in the competition! Kudos to our Middle School Mathletes for their phenomenal achievement, a great demonstration of their mathematical prowess and teamwork! Three of the Mathletes, Maxam, Michelline, and Murad, completed last year at the NSBE Conference in Atlanta, GA, where they had also placed 1st.

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The MATHCOUNTS and TMAL Teams supported each other in attending the other's competition. The Mathletes also had the opportunity to attend other NSBE Jr. competitions such as robotics and partake in building rockets in a workshop. They were also able to enjoy themselves at the NSBE Jr. evening activity, singing karaoke.

A special thank you to the parents who accompanied us on the trip, Edward Ganges, Tracey Morris, Linda Taylor, and Sonya Adams; and, of course, a special shout-out to our brilliant coaches, High School Team Coach Jeanne Cavuto and Middle School Team Coach Wanda Allaire.

A great trip was had by all. We are proud of our high school YMWIC Mathletes! Here is a photo journal of highlights from the trip.



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