

**News Release
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Chardon Team places 5th at the North American Envirothon Competition

Representing the State of Ohio, the Chardon High School Envirothon Team was recognized nationally for their environmental knowledge at the National Conservation Foundation(NCF)-Envirothon competition by placing fifth! The Chardon High School envirothon teams previously made it to the North American level seven times: placing thirteenth in 2013, fourth in 2012 (a state record for an Ohio team), twelfth in 2011, eighth in 2010, fifth in 2008, eleventh in 2007, and fifth in 2006 .

This year's competition was held at Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, Maryland from July 23-29, with the theme of the competition focusing on this year's current environmental issue of Agricultural Soil and Water Conservation Stewardship. The following team members helped to bring Chardon Red Team to a proud fifth place with the guidance of Marilyn Rohr as their Envirothon advisor: Nicholas Schragal, Emily Munoz, Jason Tysl, Heather Humbert, and Richard Wainio, they competed with 54 teams representing 45 U.S. states, seven Canadian provinces and two teams from Canada.

Each team's knowledge is tested under the supervision of foresters, soil scientists, wildlife biologists and other natural resource professionals. Teamwork, problem solving and presentation skills are evaluated as each team offers a panel of judges an oral presentation

containing recommendations for solving the specific environmental challenge that is presented during the competition

Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District would like to extend our congratulations to Marilyn Rohr and the Chardon Envirothon team on their national success and recognition.

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