

The official newsletter of CyberPatriot—AFA's National Youth Cyber Education Program

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The National Finals Competition Special Edition

COMMISSIONER'S CACHE

It's here! The CyberPatriot XI National Finals Competition has arrived. 28 teams from across the U.S. will soon join us in Baltimore to see who can claim national championships in the Middle School Division, the All Service Division, and the Open Division. These 28 teams have proven themselves as no group of national finalists ever has, as we've had to make the competition increasingly more challenging each season because our skilled competitors keep getting better and better, and

that's GREAT news! If you're coming to Baltimore, I look forward to welcoming you. If you aren't, kindly wish our finalists good luck as they strive for trophies, medals, scholarships, and bragging rights. And please, take time to thank our generous sponsors—led by the Northrop Grumman Foundation—who make possible not only the National Finals Competition, but every element of our ever-expanding program.

On a sad note, we mark the passing of a superb visionary, leader, and close friend of CyberPatriot, Lt General George Muellner. His vision and leadership as AFA's Vice Chairman for Aerospace Education and later as our Chairman of the Board significantly shaped CyberPatriot. I will add his loss is particularly sad for me, as General Muellner and I grew to be good friends, and it was a rare month that I failed to seek his sage counsel. He tirelessly promoted CyberPatriot nationwide and particularly in his home of Southern California. I already miss his humor, his mentorship, his friendship, and his keen insight. AFA will miss his leadership and vision. Godspeed, General Muellner. You led us well.

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Bernard K. Skoch | CyberPatriot National Commissioner

ONLINE SEASON ENDS — ALL EYES ON BALTIMORE

The CyberPatriot XI online season will go down in the history books as the most educational, but challenging season yet. The CyberPatriot Program office spent hundreds of hours in preparing for and executing the season.

Beginning in September, teams had access to updated training materials and training images with more explanations than before. The training round featured enhanced images with answer keys. Based on suggestions from Coaches in the post-season survey, the training images were made available throughout the Practice Round in October. By Round 1, teams had access to training materials and images that would allow them to have a successful round.

By design, Round 2 was more difficult so that high school teams could be divided into tiers for the State Round. The middle school Round 2 was not as difficult, so that they would have more experience before the State Round.

The State Round was hard. As an elimination round, it achieved its purpose to identify the top 25% of teams that would move on to the Semifinals. However, there was a mix of less difficult with hard images in the round so that less experienced teams would not be overwhelmed.

When teams competed in the Semifinals, they found that it was the most challenging round CyberPatriot has had. Even seasoned teams were challenged. The national award winners DATES TO KNOW

CP-XII Registration Opens
National Finals Competition
(Baltimore, Md.)
AFA CyberCamp Host
Registration Closes
Last day for 20% discount on
CP-XII Registration
CP-XII Registration Closes



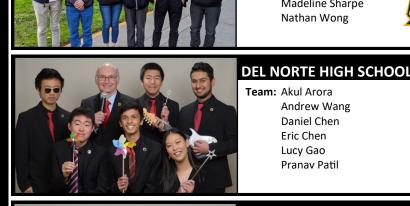
and National Finalists can be found on the <u>scores page</u>.

Teams will arrive in Baltimore before April 7, to attend the National Finals Competition at the Inner Harbor Hyatt Regency Hotel. Their travel, food and lodging expenses are covered by the generous support of our sponsors.

The National Finalist teams will compete in Baltimore, Md. on April 9. They will face a revised Network Security Master Challenge with the AT&T Mobile Device Component and the Cisco Networking Challenge. The AT&T Mobile Device Component will involve the use of iPads. It promises to be the most challenging National Finals yet.



OPEN DIVISION



Team: Akul Arora Andrew Wang Daniel Chen Eric Chen Lucy Gao

Pranav Patil

Madeline Sharpe Nathan Wong

DEL NORTE HIGH SCHOOL

Team: Phoenix Dimagiba Alan Wang Arjun Ghoshal Josh Tan Justin Lin Kevin Hu

DEL NORTE HIGH SCHOOL

Team: Lily Hu KC Uhegbu Kian Kishimoto Max Novak Ryan Wei Tanay Shah





Cerritos. CA

"CyberAegis Chobani"



San Diego, CA

"CyberAegis Thanatos"



"CyberAegis Zelos"



San Diego, CA

"Falcon Transfer Protocol"

OPEN DIVISION





LOYOLA BLAKEFIELD Team: Jake Sanft Nick Froehlinger Tommy Szymkiewicz Grant Hewett Anthony Bradley

Henry Erdman

LOYOLA BLAKEFIELD Team: Manny Spanos Nathan Prouse Henry Mackay Zach Hipsley Owen Quinn Michael Chaney

Team: Mason Newman Kaylee Kirkwood

> Kelsi Keys Nathan Herscher Grayson Northrip

HIGHLANDS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL





"Cobalt"

Highlands Ranch, CO

Towson, MD

"Indigo"



CYBERPATRIOT

NORTH HOLLYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL Team: Lyna Kim Thomas Panenko Sean Cho



CALIFORNIA REPUBLIC

"Mendenhall"

North Hollywood, CA

"CyberPantherTeam#1"

PALOS VERDES PENINSULA HS

Team: RJ Wakefield-Carl Saahil Parikh Ryan Chau Robert Peltekov Seth Karner Nicholas Wang

Glen Husman

Sam Kazimirowicz







THOMAS JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL "VAPatriot ScubaSquad"

Team: Darin Mao Darius Kianersi Alexander Suh John Lee





Alexandria, VA

TROY HIGH SCHOOL "System64" Team: Jino Sirivatanarat Jennifer Ho **PEN DIVISIO** Justin Huang Josh Ibad Kanin Liang Eric Nguyen Fullerton, CA **TROY HIGH SCHOOL** "Troy Tech Support" Team: Christo Bakis **Clement Chan Timothy Kim** Jimmy Li CALIFORNIA REPUB Rahil Shah Joseph Xu HOW TO EXIT VIM Fullerton, CA BY: TROY TECH SUPPORT ALAMO HEIGHTS HS "Golden Mules" **ALAMO HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL** Team: Jack Harrell **ALL SERVICE DIVISION** U.S.ARM **Troy Whitney** Dayana Castro Jana Hendricks **Cooper Ritz** Sasha Rukhina JROT San Antonio, TX ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGIES ACADEMY @ ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL "Roosevelt Rough Riders" Team: Jacob Rahimi Fardeen Bhimani Harrison Lewis Samantha Peace Tristan Lee JROTC San Antonio, TX **TROY HIGH SCHOOL** "CyberD3lta" Team: Lavanya Garg Erin Liu Aidan Masinsin Ryan Nguyen CALIFORNIA REPUBL Supavit Pitaknarongphorn Anusha Sapre Fullerton, CA **TROY HIGH SCHOOL** "Senior Chief Shannon Kent" Team: David Lee **Evan Deters** Johanna Liang Alicia Wang



Brendan Won Nicole Wong





IN MEMORY OF LT GENERAL (RET) GEORGE MUELLNER 1943 – 2019



General George Muellner was a longtime member of the Air Force Association, holding multiple key positions over many years including chairing AFA's Aerospace Education Council and serving as AFA Chairman of the Board from October 2012 through September 2014. During his tenure he dedicated himself to nurturing and expanding AFA's nascent CyberPatriot program. CyberPatriot's explosive growth and global success has been in many ways directly attributable to his vision and leadership.

Coaches' Corner

• <u>CyberPatriot XII Registration</u>. Team registration for the upcoming season of competition opens April 1, 2019! Returning coaches should log in with their current username and select "Create Team" to complete a team application. New coaches must first create a volunteer account. A single coach may register up to five teams. Registration fees for CP-XII are below:

Open Division: \$205 per team* Middle School: \$165 per team* All Service Division: Waived

*Title I schools and all-girl teams may request a fee waiver through the dashboard once team is approved.

*Register before July 1 for 20% discount. We do NOT offer "BOGO" deals on registrations.

 <u>AFA CyberCamp Registration</u>. Interested in attracting more students to your organization's CyberPatriot team? Host a camp this summer! Registration for hosting a camp is open through May 1. Visit the <u>AFA</u> <u>CyberCamp site</u> for more information. CyberPatriot's Cyber Education Literature Series

SARAH THE CYBER HERO Get your copy today! \$9.95 @ Amazon.com



Air Force Association CYBERCAMPS SUMMER 2019 Register before May 1 to host a camp this summer! Questions? Contact AFACyberCamps@uscyberpatriot.org





CYBERPARTNER: BTB SECURITY



The CyberPatriot Program Office is pleased to announce the addition of BTB Security as a CyberPartner!

BTB Security helps organizations detect security weak-

ness, defend against attacks, and defeat breaches through its comprehensive suite of services. With a reputation earned from decades on the front line of cybersecurity, BTB Security is focused on enhancing the security posture of client organizations by deploying proactive assessment and offensive security services, reactive response and forensic services, and managed detection and response services.

In addition, the company, through its RIOT Labs division, pours time and effort into researching the latest security threats to stay one step ahead of the hackers, develop sanitized offensive techniques and tools, and create attack models that strengthen detection and response capabilities. All of this research is applied to protecting clients, and furthering the security industry.

Ron Schlecht, one of BTB's managing partners, said that the firm is honored to sponsor The CyberPatriot Program because he recognizes the challenge the industry faces in educating and developing devoted and talented security professionals.

"The CyberPatriot Program is developing and energizing future cyber security professionals, giving them a great basis to develop their career," Schlecht said. "Protecting companies and our infrastructure from cyber threats is difficult and ever-changing, but extremely fulfilling work. This program is focused on helping the next generation of security professionals see that and gain a head start on their career."

CYBERPARTNER: VMWARE



A message from VMware, CyberPatriot's newest supporter:

At VMware, we believe that software has the power to

unlock new possibilities for people and our planet. Our software forms a digital foundation that powers the apps, services, and experiences, transforming the world. We are proud of our partnership with CyberPatriot who uses VMware Workstation Player as a key element in their national cyber competitions.

If you are interested in learning more about technology, VMware has an exciting program for high schools and colleges around the world: VMware IT Academy.

VMware IT Academy provides the next generation of talent by educating them on the basics of virtualization and cloud computing. Ultimately, we want to encourage job readiness and encourage VMware certification.

IT Academy builds public-private partnerships by:

- * Enabling understanding and application of VMware technology
 - * Fostering career development
 - * Creating a pipeline of diverse talent
 - * Helping to strengthen communities

According to IDC research consultancy, "Economies, jobs, and personal lives are becoming more digital, more connected, and increasingly, more automated." With this digitized economy, technology companies will increasingly face concern from the public about the impact of digitization on jobs.

IT Academy addresses this job concern with a solution. To learn more, visit our IT Academy website. If you have questions, please email itacademy@vmware.com. Or begin your digitization journey now with a free Virtualization course.

"The IT Academy team envisions a world where technology is leveraged as a force for good, so individuals and communities can thrive." -Tom MacKay, VMware Senior Director, Global Technical Sales Enablement COE

Realize the Possibilities.

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Sensational Partnership Announcement

We have some exciting news! We have finalized a major sponsor for our CyberTitan II competition! ICTC is pleased to announce that the Communications Security Establishment is now a Platinum sponsor for this We are still looking for a few more sponsors year's event. This unique and engaging environment provides students with immediate feedback on their level of cybersecurity comprehension and skill building.

"We are delighted about this new partnership and to have CSE as a CyberTitan Platinum Sponsor," said Namir Anani, Pre

sident and CEO, ICTC. "This will allow us to continue to expand the knowledge and importance of cybersecurity skills for youth, and pave the way for Canada to be a world leader in cybersecurity."

for this year's event. If you know of a company or contact we should reach out to please email us at cybertitan@ictc-ctic.ca. For more information on our sponsorship packages please visit: https:// www.cybertitan.ca/index.php/about/ partners-and-sponsors/



