Math Department Hosts High Country Math Tournament

On your mark, get set, do math!

Very rarely are students rearing at the gates to do math problems, but at the High Country Math Tournament, the students were crunching numbers all day long. Hosted by Appalachian State's Math Department, the High Country Math Tournament brought together more than 170 students from 16 middle and elementary schools. The competitions included both individual and group events. Students raced against the clock to answer 10 questions during each portion of the event, and the highest scorers brought home the gold. Between events, professors from the math department explained the solutions to the challenging problems. Though the students reveled in competition, the main goal of the event was to have fun and pique students' interest in mathematics while sharpening their problem-solving skills.

The contest took place in the Plemmons Student Union, and was coordinated by Kim Marland and Eric Marland with the help of professors and graduate students in the math department.

