



O'Hara Catholic School

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O'Hara Catholic School Students Attend Summer Math, Science Camp at OSU

October 29, 2009, Eugene, Oregon—Two middle school students at O'Hara Catholic School attended this year the Exxon Mobile Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp on the Oregon State University campus. They were two of only forty-eight students selected state-wide for the program. Tuition for the camp was covered by Exxon Mobile Corporation.

The Exxon Mobile Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp is a two-week residential program that offers innovative programs to enhance student knowledge in science, technology, engineering and math, while also fostering leadership and citizenship.

Students must exhibit strong interest in math and science, do well on standardized mathematics and science tests, and be recommended by their counselors and teachers.

The real-life experiences of this camp were highlights for the O'Hara students. "My favorite activities were the engineering projects. We built fuel-cell cars and mousetrap cars." said one student. The other added, "We experimented in labs and even visited the wave tank to test houses that we built against tsunami waves. I recommend this program to anyone interested in science."

The middle school math and science program at O'Hara Catholic School provides opportunity for students to excel well beyond state standards. The accelerated O'Hara math program is led by teachers with more than 30 years of middle and high school math experience. The 7th and 8th grade science is taught in a state-of-the art science lab by a teacher who was named a 2009 Pearson Most Valuable Science Teacher of the Year.

About O'Hara Catholic School

O'Hara Catholic School serves students in Pre-School through 8th grade of all religious, racial, ethnic, and income backgrounds. For more information about the curriculum, admissions policies or registration, contact Principal Dianne Bert at (541) 485-5291 or visit www.oharaschool.org.