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CREATIVE AND INTRICATE PROJECTS ON DISPLAY AT ST. CROIX DISTRICT'S FIRST SSTEAM EXPO

The Department of Education St. Croix District Division of Curriculum and Instruction held its first SSTEAM/S²STEAM Expo on Thursday, May 30, at the John H. Woodson Junior High School.

Similar to the Districts' STEAM Fairs, students from participating schools presented scientific research or projects which correlated to the different areas of STEAM. However, this expo included Social Studies, hence the name S² (Social Studies) STEAM. Participating schools were Ricardo Richards, Pearl B. Larsen, Eulalie Rivera elementary schools, John H. Woodson and Elena Christian junior high schools, and the St. Croix Central High School (CHS).

An array of impressive, creative, and intricate projects were displayed in grade-level specific categories, to include Kindergarten, primary (grades 1-3), intermediate (grades 4-6), junior high (grades 7-8) and senior high (grades 9-12).

Judges of the competition included University of the Virgin Islands intern Dante James, Trinity Wilson, and Morandy Charles; Director of Curriculum and Instruction Xiomara Ottley-Herman, Science Coordinator Rosa White, Mathematics Coordinator Juanita Boneque, English Language Acquisition Coordinator Jose Perez, Career and Technical Education Coordinator Juel Mills and Health and Physical Education Coordinator Ophelia Williams-Jackson.

"It was great to see Social Studies, Science Technology, Engineering, Arts, Agriculture, Math and the Health within the Sciences all displayed here at the first SSTEAM expo," said Director Ottley-Herman.

The St. Croix District Division of Curriculum and Instruction thanks sponsors Just Right Trucking, LLC, Rolly's Transportation Services, LLC, and Lorraine Benjamin-Matthew, District Director of School Community Affairs.

All students received a certificate of participation, and winners of best presentation and social studies received a \$25 Amazon gift card and the overall SSTEAM winner received \$50 thanks to the sponsors.

WINNERS

SSTEAM WINNER

Zion Delanney

Moringa Power 2.0

John H. Woodson

Kindergarten

1st Place: Anita Thomas

Homemade Electric Play-dough

Ricardo Richards

Best Presentation

Primary Winners

1st Place: Kiyoshi Croskey

Sugary Drinks

Ricardo Richards

2nd Place: Liz Lauren

Polar Puzzle

Ricardo Richards

3rd Place: Ah’Jahnai Sweeny

Bird Brain Hungry Game

Ricardo Richards

Intermediate Winners

1st Place: Sariah Jonas

Does Chewing Gum Makes You Smarter

Ricardo Richards

2nd Place: Reina Guadalupe

Making a Popsicle Drone

Eulalie Rivera

2nd Place: Jeremiah Lloyd, Ajhiba Williams, Yanisha Wilfred

Balloon Powered Car

Eulalie Rivera

3rd Place: Julio Soto
Let There Be Light4th grade
Ricardo Richards

Honorable Mention

Shakirah Daniels
Homopolor Motor
Eulalie Rivera

Cadence Romero
Purifying Water
Eulalie Rivera

Rahjah Beazer
Put Your Water to Work
Elena Christian

Junior High

1st Place: Zion Delanney
Moringa Power 2.0
John H. Woodson

2nd Place: Klarisse Anne Casala
Measuring Speed of Light
Elena Christian

High School

1st Place: Aliarysbel Reyes
Hydraulic Bridges
St. Croix Central High

Mathematics

1st Place: Liandra Thompson
Color Road Game Board
Elena Christian

Health

1st Place: Angelina Springer
Cosmic Connections
Elena Christian

Engineering:

1st Place: Deondre Christopher
Sea Perch

John H. Woodson

Social Studies:

1st Place: Khalissa Daly

Culturally Music

Elena Christian

Art:

1st Place: Vianca Medina

Art Work

Elena Christian

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