

Blevins competed with 59 science Olympiad teams from around the country this past weekend at the University of Illinois. Blevins placed 43rd overall but with tough competition came some sweet rewards. Sean Collins and Dane Whicker took a 5th place medal in Storm the Castle with their trebuchet that was able to launch a hefty 60 gram weight 22 meters. Sean Miller and Tyler Benjamin placed 4th in the nation in the technical writing and reading event Write-it Do-it. Months of work really paid off for them. New team members Tara Bagley and Cassie Nuckols grabbed the 15th spot in Fossils while Dane Whicker and Tyler Benjamin placed 17th in Life Science Lab. and Tyler Benjamin and Natalie Kreider placed 17th in the study event Science of Fitness. The science Olympiad team would like to thank all of you for your support. Your words of support and enthusiasm and donations to make the trip possible are deeply appreciated. Coaches Viney and Lovaas are proud of our school and proud of the 19 members who represented Blevins well. We would like to recognize the 2005 team members:

7th graders: Tara Bagley, Matt Beall, Natalie Kreider, Cassie Nuckols, and
Dane Whicker

8th graders: Scott Barela, Chris Colton, Bryan Graves, and Jeffery Sloop

9th graders: Tyler Benjamin, Sean Collins, Celina Devore, Kevin Lasco, Sean
Miller, Jackie Leonard, Austin Seward, Audrey Springer, Matt Wiersma
and Mary Yovanoff

Great Job Guys!!