

# Florida Junior Academy of Science

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## Welcome 2013-2014 Members

The Florida Junior Academy of Science (FJAS) welcomes you to our organization. Many opportunities are available to students conducting experimental research. Below are important dates for the coming year:

November 4, 2013 – Nominations for Junior Science, Engineering and Humanities Symposium – [cpet.ufl.edu](http://cpet.ufl.edu)

November 6-13 – Multiple deadlines for Intel Science Talent Search – [student.societyforscience.org](http://student.societyforscience.org)

January 26-28, 2014 – Junior, Science, Engineering and Humanities Symposium at Gainesville

January 31, 2014 – Final day to submit research paper electronically to [zalop@yahoo.com](mailto:zalop@yahoo.com) for preliminary competition

March 8, 2014 – Florida Junior Academy of Science Competition at Indian River State College at Fort Pierce

April 6-8, 2014 – State Science & Engineering Fair of Florida in Lakeland

May 11-16, 2014 – Intel International Science & Engineering Fair in Los Angeles, California

## Congratulations to our 2013 FJAS competitors who won at other competitions:

### State Science & Engineering Fair of Florida

First Place: Robert Bacchus of Lincoln Park, Preksha Bhagchandani of Pine Crest, Alexander Forsyth of Episcopal, and Miguel Paredes (BEST OF FAIR) of American Heritage

Second Place: River Grace of West Shore, Nicole Odzer of Pine Crest, Kristina Thoren of American Heritage, Brianna Youhanna and Katherine Zimmerman of Braden River

Third Place: Urvesh Ashar of Stone, Laura Herman of Pine Crest, Zain Kabbeer of Oak Hall, Sameer Kailasa of American Heritage, and Jamie Odzer of Dr Krop

Fourth Place: Angelica Gouse of American Heritage, Caroline Nolan of Stuart, Michael Troubeev of Southeast and Zoe Zhou of American Heritage

Twenty-two FJAS competitors also competed at SEF and once again they won significantly more awards than other students who did not compete at FJAS.

**Intel International Science & Engineering Fair** – ALL FIVE FJAS competitors won a place or special award: Robert Bacchus of Lincoln Park, Preksha Bhagchandani of Pine Crest, Alexander Forsyth of Episcopal, Jamie Odzer of Dr Krop and Katherine Zimmerman of Braden River

**Broadcom Masters** - River Grace of West Shore won the top award and Caroline Nolan of Stuart was a finalist (If I missed anyone, please let me know and I will gladly correct the web version of this newsletter.)

## Congratulations to the American Junior Academy of Science Scholarship Winner

Jamie Odzer of Dr Michael Krop won the scholarship to attend both the AJAS meeting where she will present her research similar to FJAS and the AAAS meeting where she will present to scientists from around the country using a poster. This is a wonderful opportunity for high school seniors who placed during their junior year at FJAS. Other students were also nominated by the judges to attend at their own expense. This year's meeting will be in Chicago. The Board of the Florida Academy of Sciences has offered funding to make sure we can offer this trip this year. We will be discussing the financial concerns at the March meeting.

## Information available on the Website

Under the "FLORIDA JR. ACADEMY" tab on the [www.FloridaAcademyofSciences.org](http://www.FloridaAcademyofSciences.org) you will find some important information:

"FJAS Paper Instructions" has guidelines for both the experimental and literary papers

"FJAS Calendar" has other competitions listed with general dates

"Entry Form – Competition" gives the formats to use on the email and the attachment when submitting the entry

## Remember: 2014 FJAS Competition – March 8 at Indian River State College in Fort Pierce

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