Pre-IC Teams Collaborating
Centennial Students present PAP Award to Westonka Team

Due to a mistake in the evaluation room, the Middle Division Presentation of Action Plan (PAP) results were incorrectly announced. When the teams involved were informed, the Centennial Team, not only relinquished the trophy but they made a personal delivery and presentation to the Westonka Team.

A celebration was held at Grandview Middle School on Monday, April 23. Homemade Chocolate Chip cookies by one of the students and ice cream were served. Introductions were made and students got to know each other. They formed teams and played a vocabulary Quizlet that a student had made on the IC topic of the Criminal Justice System. Not only was the trophy was presented, the Centennial team also presented a proclamation and individual Orals Wizarding Certificates - which were cleverly done! The Westonka team and coach really appreciated this and students enjoyed getting to meet and mingle with each other.

The Centennial students also had a great time. Team member, Victoria Kurdyomov mentioned that she really enjoyed getting to know the Westonka students and commented that even though they competed against each other throughout the year, this was a great opportunity to be able to get to know the other students on "Team Minnesota!"
Lester Prairie Schools
From left to right: Zach Jackson, Anna Litzau, Michael Ruwersma, Coach: Katie Carmine, Shelby Litzau, Jason Zimprich, and Ethan Schultz

Coach Katie reported that this first IC experience for her and her students was a wild, wonderful whirlwind and they’re looking forward to doing it again!

They were very happy to place 38th among the 65 Middle Division Teams. Not bad for their first time at IC!

Congratulations to Lester Prairie!
A team who understands that it’s not just about the trophy.

IC gets the Attention of the PRESS!

Channel 19: ABC
2000 students head to UW-La Crosse for international problem solving conference
www.wxow.com

Teams spend an entire year researching local and global issues and put together presentations on how they would tackle solving that issue.


Channel 8: CBS
Students compete in international problem solving...
www.news8000.com

Students from around the world are competing to solve global and local problems at a conference in La Crosse this weekend.


Photo on the right: Co-hosts carry the National Flag
Wisconsin: Courtney Guenther
Minnesota: Madyson Ekstrom
Stephanie Anderson along with her Scenario Team Writing placed second!! Coached by Julie Taintor

Centennial Middle School
Coached by Peg Tembreull

Left: Victoria Kurdyumov
Scenario Writing CHAMPION
Middle Division

Right: Jacob Hart,
2nd Place Junior Team Scenario Writing
Jacob was also awarded the BEST JUNIOR WRITER!
“D.R.E.A. M.” and “Can You hEAR Me?”
Coached by: Karlyn Doyle, Christine Hermanson, and Tom Warnemunde

LEFT - Jocelyn Filiyarо – 3rd Place CmPS Senior Division Individual
St. Cloud Apollo High School
Project Title: “Can You hEAR Me?”

Over 1,000 books were given away at IC alone!

Photo on the Right: Laina Burris, Nicole Warzecha, and Grace Fischer
CmPS Middle Team 3rd Place in the Education Category
Project Title: D.R.E.A. M.  Dedicate, Read, Empower, Achieve, Motivate

Minnesota’s Champions

- Collaborating
- Cooperating
- Camaraderie

Cheering on ALL Future Problem Solvers!
Forestview Middle School  
Coached by: Sheila Johnston

5th Place Junior Division  
Presentation of Action Plan

Left to Right: Sam Simpson, Vanessa Anderson, Scarlett Anderson, Keaton Lingenfelter

The winning costume

Last year in the Junior Division.

Getting ready for the next level!
On May 10, 2018, the Minnesota Future Problem Solving Program was presented with the Minnesota Ethical Leadership Award!
The plaques says, “Synergy & Leadership Exchange recognizes the Minnesota Future Problem Solving Program and its positive effects on the development of character strengths and ethical leadership skills.”

Accepting the award, from left to right:
Nathan Duffy: FPS Alumna, Evaluator, Board Director, and MN FPSP Webmaster
Cheryl Whitesitt: MN FPSP Executive Director
Parker Kayser, holding the plaque: FPS Alumna, CmPS and GIPS. Now attending St. Cloud State
Tom Warnemunde: CmPS, GIPS, and Scenario Writing Coach, Board Director
Karlyn Doyle: CmPS Coach, GIPS, and Scenario Writing Coach, Board Director
Michael Finn: FPS Alumna, Evaluator, and Board Treasurer
Jocelyn Filiyar: FPS Participant in GIPS and CmPS. CmPS past Individual Champion and third place winner this year. See Page 4
Wanda Sommers Wall: Synergy and Leadership presented the Award
Not Pictured: Joe Lefto, FPS Alumna Parent, Wells Fargo