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State Powerhouse in Mathematics

Cleveland-After placing first in the chapter and state levels of the prestigious MathCounts competition, the students of Birchwood School have now added Ohio Mathematics League success to this year's accolades. The seventh grade math team placed first in the state, the sixth grade earned second place, and the eighth grade team came in third. In addition, two students, **Clive C** and **Dhweeja D**, had perfect scores on the contest and won first place in their respective divisions.

The Ohio Mathematics Competition is a 40-minute exam covering thirty questions. Students prepare for this contest throughout the year and compete against some of the best math students and from excellent math programs in the state of Ohio.

When asked about Birchwood's remarkable success in mathematics, **Charles Debelak** said, "Success is bred in an environment that nurtures talent through an encouraging, academic environment, one that offers opportunities for high achievement." **Debelak** is the 5th-8th-grade math teacher at Birchwood. He was selected as Ohio's MathCounts coach due to the success of his students at the regional and state levels of the Mathcounts competition.

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The Birchwood School is a private, coeducational school in Cleveland, Ohio. Founded in 1984, Birchwood serves students in kindergarten through grade 8. Birchwood's mission is to provide an educational setting where challenging academics build solid work habits, an achievement culture nurtures healthy attitudes, and a caring environment forges social responsibility.

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