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Father Dueñas, St. John's take gold in UOG chemistry competition

Father Dueñas Memorial School and St. John's School took the top awards in the 11th University of Guam Chemistry Titration Competition that was held at the UOG Charter Day festival on March 10. Students from St. Paul Christian School and Harvest Christian Academy also won awards. In total, 30 students from eight high schools competed.

Hosted by UOG Division of Natural Sciences and judged by UOG chemistry majors, the two-part competition required students to determine the concentration of a base and the mass of an acid through titration, or volume measurement. They were awarded points on accuracy and precision of their data.

The winners were:

Best Team

1st place: Brian Songco and Isaiah Alvendia, Father Dueñas Memorial School
2nd place: Grace Hutapea and Matthew Zhang, St. John's School
3rd place: Nicole Jean Pineda and Jaimie Adrienne Paunte, St. Paul Christian School

Best Individual

1st place: Grace Hutapea, St. John's School
2nd place: Brian Songco, Father Dueñas Memorial School
3rd place: Nicole Jean Pineda, St. Paul Christian School

Best Laboratory Skill

1st place: Chanyoung Lee, St. John's School

2nd place: Megan Lopez, Harvest Christian Academy
3rd place: Brian Joseph, St. John's School

The other participating high schools included John F. Kennedy, Academy of Our Lady of Guam, Notre Dame High School, and Guam High School.

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Photo captions:



1: The winners of the University of Guam's high school Chemistry Titration Competition on March 10. (From left) Isaiah Alvendia and Brian Songco, Father Dueñas Memorial School; Jaimie Adrienne Paunte and Nicole Jean Pineda, St. Paul Christian School; Chanyoung Lee, Brian Joseph, Grace Hutapea, and Matthew Zhang, St. John's School; Megan Lopez, Harvest Christian Academy; Associate Professor Tedros Bezabeh; Assistant Professor Bulan Wu; Karla Wang, laboratory supervisor; Assistant Professor John Limtiaco; Jason Pangelinan, laboratory technician; and Professor Maika Vuki.



2: Isaiah Alvendia of Father Dueñas Memorial School measures a solution into a beaker as part of the University of Guam's Chemistry Titration Competition on March 10. He took first place in the team category with teammate Brian Songco.



3: St. John's School won four awards and took first place in two of three competitions at the University of Guam's Chemistry Titration Competition on March 10. (From left) Chanyoung Lee; Brian Joseph; Kathy Yang, science teacher; Grace Hutapea; and Matthew Zhang.

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