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EAST Monthly

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"Start by doing what is necessary, then do what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible."

- St. Francis of Assisi

"A classroom has four walls and a tomorrow inside."

- Connelly Foundation

"We proudly support innovative and independent teamwork which nurtures tomorrow's leaders in science and engineering."

- Dan and Alice Abramowicz

EXCELLENCE

Conwell-Egan Catholic EAST Wins Award of Excellence at 2011 Conference

On March 1 to March 3, the Conwell-Egan Catholic High School EAST Conference Team, along with facilitator Mr. Kenneth Hupka and principal Mrs. Margaret Blanco, attended the 2011 EAST Conference in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The group joined over 2,000 EAST affiliates from across the nation in celebration of the EAST Initiative and the outstanding academic and social achievement that it represents.

At the banquet on March 2, CEC was recognized as one of the ten Founder's Award Finalists, surpassing over 250 EAST schools across the country.



The Conference Team poses in front of their booth before attending the opening plenary.

They were the only EAST program not from Arkansas to be awarded this honor. Such an honor was based on overall program impact and the various

projects the school collaborated on this year.

Conwell-Egan was named Superior School, the highest conference rating. In addition, the CEC EAST program won the Award of Excellence as one of the top three schools for the entire conference. The school received numerous prizes from the EAST Initiative, including an Apple iPad, 24-inch Hp computer, flip camera, and thousands of dollars in new software downloadable for the EAST lab's computers.

BELOW Conwell-Egan wins Award of Excellence as one of the top three EAST programs.



Coming Up...

...In Future Issues

EAST Assembly and In-class Seminar

Get an exclusive look at the school assembly held in honor of the 2011 EAST Conference Team's accomplishments in Hot Springs. Plus, read about the in-class seminar for CEC EAST students, facilitated by conference team members themselves.

ArcGIS Project

Read updates as EAST students complete their second semester mapping projects in ArcGIS.

CEC Leaves Mark on Arkansas

Conwell-Egan Catholic Makes School and EAST Conference



ABOVE Senior Conference Team students pose with EAST Initiative's Jerry Prince from Little Rock, Arkansas.

At the 2011 EAST Conference, held at the Hot Springs Convention Center, the Conwell-Egan Catholic Conference Team displayed the current year's projects in their USO-themed booth display. Every aspect of the booth was thoroughly

BELOW 2011 Conference Team pictured by the CEC EAST Initiative's USO-themed booth display in the convention center.

planned out by the conference committee since early September. Posters, brochures, and banners were printed out by the members of the conference team and transported to Arkansas for the display.

Freshman Frank Sopcak, sophomore Kristen Manto, and seniors Jessica McGarrity and Julia Wojcik were chosen to comprise the presentation team for conference. They served as the four students present at the booth who presented CEC's EAST program to a select panel of judges.

The Conwell-Egan Catholic EAST Program is already nationally recognized, being only one of two EAST schools east of the Mississippi River. They are also

the only private and the only Catholic EAST program. Besides from already being nationally recognized for these facts, CEC has made both school and EAST Conference history this year in Hot Springs. Never before has the school ranked as one of the top three programs at conference and been the second runner-up to the Founder's Award. In addition, 2011 is the first year that a school not from Arkansas has made such an accomplishment at conference and placed in the top three.

The founder of the EAST Initiative, Mr. Timothy Stephenson, visited CEC's booth display himself. He commented on how far the program has come and said CEC EAST students' achievements this year were exactly what the Founder's Award judges were searching for.

On March 22, the conference team

will hold a special EAST assembly for the CEC student body. They will show their Founder's Award video from conference and present their work to their educators and fellow peers.

BELOW Senior Cullen O'Donnell receives Conwell-Egan Catholic EAST Program's Award of Excellence.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March, 2011:

- 28 Prayer Service
St. John Neumann's
200th Anniversary

April, 2011:

- 1 3rd Quarter Ends
- 4 4th Quarter Begins
Spring Uniform Begins
- 7-8 One Act Plays 7 p.m.
- 17 Palm Sunday
- 18-20 Class Retreats
- 21-25 Easter Vacation
- 26 Classes Resume
- 28 Student Council Executive
Board Elections

May, 2011:

- 9 Spring Concert, Art Show,
NHS Induction 7 p.m.
- 12 Marian Liturgy and Devotion
- 17 Diocesan Honors Convocation
and Mass
- 23 Spring Honors Convocation &
NHS Induction 7 p.m.
- 30 Memorial Day
No classes