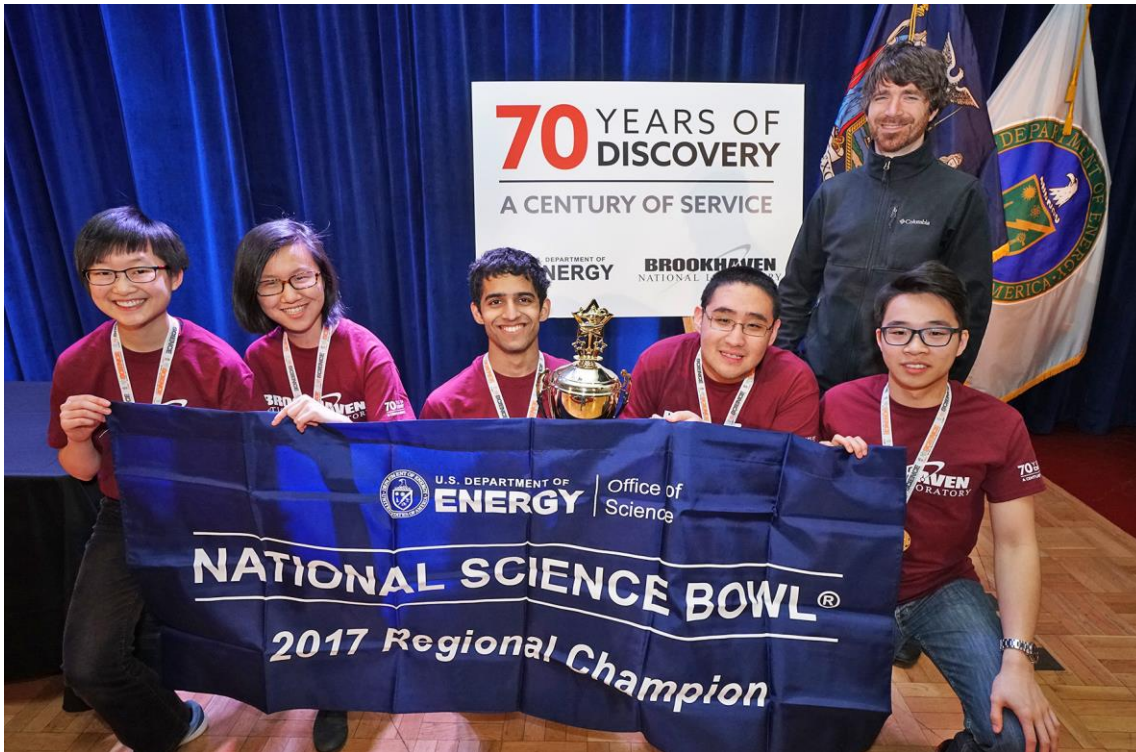


South High Team Headed to National Science Bowl

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A five-member South High School team won First Place at the recent Brookhaven National Laboratory/Long Island Regional High School Science Bowl. The team of Adrian Chen, Ajay Dheeraj, Yiqing (Elissa) He, Allan Lee, and Melody Yang will now head to Washington, DC, on an all-expense-paid trip to the National Finals, to be held in late April/early May. The South team competed against 18 other Long Island teams. Teams faced off in a fast-paced question-and-answer format, being tested on a range of science disciplines including biology, chemistry, Earth science, physics, energy, and math. South High has taken high awards at the last two Regional Science Bowls, placing Third in 2016, and Second in 2015. Dr. James Truglio, biology teacher and team coach, said, "I love science, I love the competition, and I love watching the team improve and learn every year. We have a ton of fun. It becomes like another family." "Science Bowl is a great opportunity to study things in-depth," said Allan Lee, team captain. "It's a lot of self-study, but when we come together each of us makes an equal contribution." "The National Science Bowl continues to be one of the premier academic competitions across the country and prepares America's students for future successes in some of the world's fastest growing fields in science, technology, and engineering," said Dr. J. Stephen Binkley, acting director, Office of Science, US Department of Energy (DOE). The Science Bowl is one of the nation's regional competitions of the 27th annual DOE National Science Bowl (NSB). More than 14,000 students compete in NSB each year. Approximately 265,000 students have participated in NSB in its 26-year history, and it is one of the nation's largest science competitions.