

<u>Press Release for 2025 National Science Bee National Champion – Junior Varsity Division</u> Shaun Iyer, Innovation Academy, Alpharetta, GA

International Academic Competitions (www.iacompetitions.com), the world's largest organizer of geography, history, and science-focused competitions held its 2025 Varsity and Junior Varsity National Championships on April 24-27 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Virginia. These included nine different events, including the National History Bowl, National History Bee, National Geography Bee, National Science Bee, US Geography Championships, United States History Bee, National Academic Bee, National Political Science Bee, and the National Championship Exams in various subjects.

In the <u>National Science Bee</u>, Shaun Iyer, a 10th grader at Innovation Academy in Alpharetta, GA, prevailed as Junior Varsity National Champion in a field of 67 students in 10th grade and younger. The National Science Bee is a buzzer-based quiz competition, and Shaun correctly answered the 35th and last question in the finals to end a thrilling match and secure the title. Added International Academic Competitions Executive Director, David Madden, "I had the pleasure of reading the most hotly-contested National Science Bee final round in memory to Shaun and the other eight finalists. Shaun's victory comes against the most talented and largest field we have ever had at the Junior Varsity National Championships of the National Science Bee. He is an incredibly talented young scientist, and I extend my deepest congratulations to him on this remarkable achievement."

This marks the 15th annual Varsity and Junior Varsity National Championships for International Academic Competitions, a Vermont-based organization which organizes events for over 50,000 students in over 50 countries each school year. Students, teachers, and family members who are interested in learning about IAC's offerings for the 2025-26 school year are encouraged to visit its website at www.iacompetitions.com for further details. IAC's events in the USA this school year will conclude with its Middle and Elementary School National Championships in Orlando, FL from May 22-26 which approximately 2000 students will be attending.

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