



**Indiana Council on World Affairs, Inc.
Academic WorldQuest 2021**

QuizMaster



Douglas Woodwell, PhD, Board Member
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Quote: "Knowledge of global affairs
is essential for those who strive
to be good citizens in free societies
and good citizens of the world."
Web Site: www.uindy.edu

Organizer



Janet I. Harris, Board Member
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Community Engagement VP
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Quote: "For those who promote global
education, our hearts are bound together
when we join in learning and caring about
the complex matters, and people, affected
by world affairs."
Web Site: www.IndianaWorld.org

Academic WorldQuest 2021 - Participating Schools

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| Believe Circle City High School | Taranjit Bhatti Singh (1st Year) |
| Benton Central Jr/Sr High School | Ed Robson (1st Year) |
| Bloomington High School North | Elizabeth Sweeny (1st Year) |
| Carmel High School | John Carter (5th Year) |
| Columbia City High School | Kristin Rentschler (1st Year) |
| Eman Schools, Fishers | Mia Sankari (4th Year) |
| Legacy Learning Center | Huma Soomro (3rd Year) |
| MTI - School of Knowledge | Shaun Beckett (2nd Year) & MTI (5th+ Yrs) |
| Shortridge IB High School | Troy Hammon (7th Yr.) & Shortridge (2nd year) |
| Warren Central High School | Nicholas R. Salemi (14th Year) |

Organizers of Academic WorldQuest™ 2021:

Academic WorldQuest is a trademarked program of the World Affairs Councils of America. In Indiana, the Indiana Council on World Affairs, Inc. administers Academic WorldQuest. Board Members, Janet I. Harris, organized this year's Indiana Academic WorldQuest 2021; and, Douglas R. Woodwell, developed the quiz platform and served as Quiz-Master.

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Academic WorldQuest 2021 - Teachers

Believe Circle City High School

Web Site: <https://believeschools.org>



Taranjit Bhatti Singh
Believe Circle City High School

History Teacher
AWQ: 1st year

School Mission: At Circle City High School, our mission is to develop students into leaders through a community that fosters their agency, autonomy, and acceleration - providing a foundation for future independence and success.

Benton Central Jr/Sr High School

Web Site: www.benton.k12.in.us



Ed Robson
Benton Central Jr/Sr High School

Educator, US History
AWQ: 1st Year

Quote: "No matter what political beliefs one has, globalization is not going away. Therefore, we must develop a more global perspective. Studying world affairs provides context and increases empathy as we continue to play a part in the story of globalization."

Bloomington High School North

Web Site: www.mccsc.edu/bloomingtonhs



Elizabeth Sweeney
Bloomington High School North

English / Language Arts Teacher / Academic Decathlon Sponsor
AWQ: 1st Year

Quote: "Global studies are important because in this rapidly shrinking world, young people must learn to navigate and appreciate different cultures. From climate change to foreign policy to a more equitable future, our students are called upon to construct the world in which they live and learning new perspectives is integral in achieving this."

Carmel High School

Web Site: <https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/chs>



Current & Previous Academic WorldQuest Winner



John Carter
Carmel High School

Instructional Coach / Social Studies / Rho Kappa Advisor / Indiana Council for the Social Studies (ICSS) Distinguished Teacher of the Year 2019.

AWQ: 5th year

Quote: "The study of foreign affairs and international relations is more vital than ever in education due to interdependent global partnerships in technology, economies and governments. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders in a global economy where events abroad impact our own backyard."

Columbia City High School

Web Site: www.wccsonline.com



Mrs. Kristin Rentschler
Columbia City High School
World History & AP World History Teacher
AWQ: 1st year

Quote: "We need young people to not only gain a better picture of the hot spots and issues from around the world, but we also need them to learn how to interact in discussions, debates, and compromises dealing with the larger global community. This helps prepare the next generation for careers in government, foreign diplomacy, and international charitable organizations."

Eman Schools, Fishers

Web Site: www.emanschool.org



Previous Academic WorldQuest Winner



Mia Sankari
Eman Schools - Fishers
Principal / Lead Teacher
AWQ: 4th year

Quote: For her quote, Mia offers one of Nelson Mandela's famous quotes, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." She adds, "By learning about world affairs, students are able to gain knowledge about history and make the world a better place for the future."

Legacy Learning Center

Web Site: www.legacylearningcenter.org



Huma Soomro
Legacy Learning Center
Student Counselor
AWQ: 3rd year

Quote: "I believe that it is important for everyone to learn about international affairs and issues because it will give us a better understanding of different cultures and their issues and will have a better understanding of how to resolve these issues."

MTI - School of Knowledge

Web Site: <https://mtiindy.org>



Previous Academic WorldQuest Winner



Shaun C. Beckett
MTI - School of Knowledge
Social Studies & History Teacher
AWQ: MTI: 5th+ years & Shaun: 2nd year

Quote: "I have always felt proud to be associated with a school that has a huge amount of culture and is proud in it, while simultaneously teaching life lessons as well as how to respect all things around you."

Shortridge High School

Web Site: <https://myips.org/shortridge>



Troy Hammon
Shortridge High School

Social Studies Teacher

AWQ & Diplomatic Corps Sponsor / Model United Nations sponsor.

Indiana Council for the Social Studies, President-elect

AWQ: Shortridge: 2nd year & Troy: 7th Yr.

Quote: "Why study world affairs? Why not? Taking an active part in our community requires that we have knowledge of how our global community handles situations and celebrations. Learning from and connecting with what the nations and cultures around the world are going through is how we improve our corner of the world and learn to share what we've been gifted."

Warren Central High School

Web Site: www.warren.k12.in.us



Previous Academic WorldQuest Winner



Nicholas R. Salemi
Warren Central High School

Social Studies Teacher / Model United Nations sponsor

AWQ: 14th year

Quote: "The importance of studying international relations and being aware of world events increases every year. The world is interconnected and the events in one nation have a direct, or indirect, affect on its neighbors, region and the world. The affairs of other nations affects all of us on a daily basis."

Indiana Council on World Affairs - Global Education Programs:

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