

WSU PUYALLUP HIGHLIGHT

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Faculty and staff judge 310 science fair projects from the Puyallup School District

As part of Washington State University's commitment to nurture a world-class environment for research, ten faculty and staff members of WSU Puyallup put these words into action and volunteered to judge the Puyallup School District Explorations 2006 Science Fair in April. Rita Hummel, Andy Bary, Alejandro Fraga, Joe Harrison, Wendy Hoashi-Erhardt, Randi Luchterhand, Patrick Moore, Vernene Scheurer, Gwen Stahnke, and Gwen Windom (retired) were the willing volunteers from the Puyallup campus. They viewed over 300 separate entries from students in grades ranging from Kindergarten to 12th grade. The WSU-Puyallup volunteers were joined by members of the Tahoma Sigma Xi chapter.

All judging was done without knowledge of the entrant's name. WSU awarded a certificate suitable for framing plus a \$20 Borders gift card to 8 promising young scientists whose projects best embodied the mission of WSU-Puyallup. The Tahoma Sigma Xi chapter awarded 10 certificates with \$20 checks. Kelsey Harrison (Joe's daughter) won an award from WSU-Puyallup for her project entitled, "Do Types of Potatoes Differ in Their Content of Starch?"



Cailin Bary (left) and Wendy Hoashi-Erhardt

Kelsey Harrison (left) and Gwen Stahnke

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