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Students from Chaska High School pose for a picture. Team pictures are taken in the morning before the event and used in local papers, and sent to the team advisor.

ORGANIZE YOUR TEAM TODAY!

*Contact your local SWCD to see
how you can get involved in the
Metro Area Envirothon.*

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Metro Area Senior Envirothon website:
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Metropolitan Area Senior Envirothon

An Opportunity
for Students in
Grades 9-12



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An Opportunity for High School Students

WHAT is an Envirothon?

It's a problem-solving natural resources competition for high school students. Students are tested on their knowledge of Minnesota's natural resources—aquatics, forestry, soils, wildlife, and a current environmental issue that changes from year to year. For 2011, the current environmental issue is "**Salt & Freshwater Estuaries.**"

Students will visit five "in-the-field" test stations. Each test consists of 20 questions, many of which are hands-on and identification type questions. Students will also give a 10-minute oral presentation that they've prepared prior to the competition.

The Envirothon is a nationwide event that began in Pennsylvania in 1979, and Minnesota in 1993.



Students from Columbia Heights are giving the judges their Oral Presentation on the 2010 topic "Groundwater Protection." Props can be brought to assist with the presentation. Power Point presentations are not allowed.

WHO participates?

Teams of 5 students from the same school/ organization enrolled in grades 9-12 can participate. Schools are allowed to bring more than one team, if there is space available. Each team has an adult advisor.

The 3 teams with the highest scores will receive individual medals, and a plaque for their



school. Fourth and Fifth place teams will receive a certificate and prizes for their efforts.

WHEN is the Senior Envirothon?

The Metro Area Senior Envirothon will be held on Thursday, **May 5, 2011** at the U of M Landscape Arboretum in Chaska. The top three teams from the Metro competition will advance to the State Competition.

WHY an Environmental Competition?

The Envirothon teaches the students about the environment and how they can become involved in protecting our natural resources now as students, and later as adults. It also teaches them teamwork. The students representing their school compete as a five-member team. They must cooperate with one another in order to collectively come up with the solution and correct answers in each of the five tests.

High school teachers across the country are recognizing the value of the Envirothon as a means of strengthening the environmental awareness of students.

WHERE are they held?

Eight area competitions are held throughout Minnesota at state or county parks, wildlife areas, nature centers, and research stations. The top three teams from each area will progress to the state competition and the winner of the Minnesota State competition advances to the National Envirothon.

The 2011 State Envirothon will be held on Monday, May 16, 2011 at Spirit Mountain in Duluth, MN.

Minnesota teams have competed at the Canon National Envirothon in various locations in the USA, and in Canada. The 2011 National event will be held at Mt. Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick, **Canada**, July 24-29.

Log onto the Canon National Envirothon web page for more information—
www.envirothon.org.

Teams at the Canon National Envirothon compete for over \$80,000 in scholarships and prizes!

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