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ECU Department of Technology Systems to Host JETS Team Competition

Where: Mendenhall Student Center Room 244, East Carolina University Campus, East

Carolina University

When: February 26, 2010 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Who: JETS Competition TEAMS of 4 to 8 Students from Grades 9 through 12

Theme: Water, Water, Everywhere

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Computer Science (TECS)

The Junior Engineering Technology Society (JETS) will hold its annual competition for students between 9-12 grades. JETS flagship program, TEAMS (Tests of Engineering, Aptitude, Mathematics and Science) gives students the opportunity to discover the practical application of math and science by solving some of today's greatest engineering challenges.

The JETS program reaches more than 40,000 students and 10,000 educators from 6,000 high schools across the country. ECU and TECS will host ten teams with 84 students representing local-area high schools. JETS participants/teams are made from a diverse group--more than half are from minority groups, of which, one-third are women. Their goal is to attract more minorities and women who are traditionally underrepresented in the field of engineering and technology fields.

TEAMS AT-A-GLANCE

- o Fun, theme-based Engineering Competition
- o Real-world Applications of Math and Science
- o One Day
- o Students in Grades 9-12
- o Teams of 4 to 8 Students
- Two Parts
 - o Part 1: 90 minutes, 80 multiple choice questions
 - o Part 2: 90 minutes, 4 open-ended questions

ABOUT JETS

JETS is the leading non-profit educational organization dedicated to promoting engineering and technology careers to America's youth. From coordinating exciting student competitions to providing top academic resources and career explanation materials, JETS is helping students make informed decisions about their futures and developing a new generation of engineers. For more information about JETS, please visit www.jets.org. If you would like further information about the event held at East Carolina University-- College of Technology and Computer Science, please contact Dr. David Batts at (252) 328-9673.