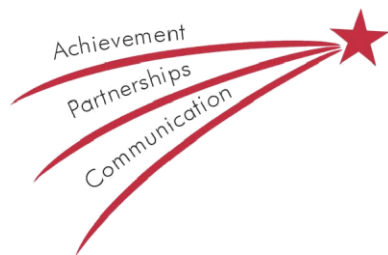


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## **PUSD We the People Teams Clean Up at States; Amador Team Headed to Nationals**

**Pleasanton, California**— Both Amador Valley and Foothill High Schools' We The People (WTP), Comp Civics teams had a strong showing at the State competition held this past weekend in Bakersfield. Foothill High School's team took 3<sup>rd</sup> place among the 10 teams competing.

"This was a great year with an impressive group of kids," said Jeremy Detamore, Foothill's WTP teacher/coach. "They worked very hard and I'm extremely proud of their accomplishments!"

Amador Valley's team won the State competition and advances to the national finals, the 28th annual We the People National Finals April 24-27, 2015 on the campus of George Mason University and in hearing rooms on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

"The students and I (along with a Northern California "We the People" volunteer Ms. Beck Lucas) had a terrific time competing in Bakersfield," said Stacey Sklar, Amador Valley's WTP coach. "The students faced a long day of competition, but they maintained their stamina and were consistently strong. I was very proud of their efforts."

The team will now be very busy preparing for the competition and raising money for their trip. Donations or contributions can be sent to the Amador Valley High School to the attention of the Competition Civics Team. Checks should be made out to "AVHS -- Comp Civics".

"We are extremely proud of our students who continue to impress us with their exceptional skills," said Superintendent Parvin Ahmadi. "We are grateful to our wonderful volunteers who help make these kinds of competitions possible for our students."

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**Amador's team members:** Maryam Awwal, Shriya Bhindwale, Stephen Black, Jesse Cai, Nach Dakwale, Kyra Englert, Megan Gupta, Jerry He, Michael Iglesias, Neel Kant, Rachel Laursen, Amy Le, Nikhil Patil, Shrita Pendekanti, Ria Shroff, Meghna Sinha, Sabari Somanathan, Janani Sundaresan, Branden West, Mei White, Patrick Wu, Akhila Yechuri

**Foothill's team members:** Adhi Vaiyapuri, Akaash Kannan, Alison Ou, Amy Zeng, Angela Kim, Ashwarya Sharma, Brennan Hines, Carl Mubarak, Dhyani Parekh, Gabbie Syed, Jai Srivastav, Jason Zhang, Meigan Chiu, Nitin Susendran, Richard Yang, Ronak Mukherjee, Rupak Mukherjee, Sabrina Nguyen, Samuel Saldinger, Shakuntala Mitra, Tony Wang, Varshaa Thorali, Zahira Chaudhry

*(Team photos included)*