

DATE SET FOR 6TH ANNUAL RMC COMPUTER SCIENCE COMPETITION

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BILLINGS -- The 6th Annual Rocky Mountain College computer programming competition for high school students, sponsored by the RMC Department of Computer Science and participating companies from the Billings computer technology sector, will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8, 2008, in Technology Hall on the RMC campus in Billings.

The competition combines an eastern region competition and a championship round that includes winners of the western region competition that was held on Oct. 6, 2008, at Helena High School. Teams from Missoula Sentinel High School and Helena High School, winners of the earlier competition, will be joined by teams from Billings-area high schools and teams from Sheridan and Powell, Wyoming.

Teams of high school juniors and seniors compete by solving computer programming tasks. Three top teams from preliminary rounds in the morning compete in sudden-death "compute-off" in the afternoon. The public is invited to the final round of the competition which begins at 1 p.m. in Technology Hall.

Judges for the competition are provided by advanced students from the computer science department at RMC and professionals from the business community. Prizes include scholarship opportunities.

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