## **Distinctions**

The Ladue Horton Watkins High School Envirothon team, consisting of Rivka Feinberg, Natalie Krebs, Maxwell Montaldo, Mark Wilensky and Gina Wilmott, was one of 14 first-place teams recognized for its work in the Lexus Eco-Challenge. The group implemented a rain garden on the grounds of the high school, researched wetlands and water quality, and built a Web site to explain their work. The first-place reward for the challenge was \$30,000 in scholarships for the students and grants for the school. The team had previously won \$10,000 in scholarships and grants for themselves and the school by winning an earlier level of competition of the Eco-Challenge.

For the first time in the 26-year history of Missouri MathCounts, the team going on to the national contest is made up entirely of students from one school — Ladue Middle School. The students are Max Schindler, Stella Schindler, Victor Wang, and Runpeng Liu.

Ladue Horton Watkins High School student Caleb Ping has received an amazing series of acceptance letters this spring. In addition to being accepted into Julliard, The New England Conservatory of Music and the Boston Conservatory of Music, Caleb has also been accepted to this summer's Tanglewood Music Institute.