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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 016-054: Academic Pentathlon Advance

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Sixth- through Eighth-Grade Students to Compete in San Joaquin County Academic Pentathlon

Pentathlon highlights student leadership and teamwork

What:

Students from schools in San Joaquin County will compete in the Super Quiz in front of a live audience, the last in a day-long series of events that are part of the 2016 San Joaquin County Academic Pentathlon.

Teamwork is at the heart of the Pentathlon, which encourages and rewards academic excellence among students of all ability levels. It provides an environment conducive to learning, where individual leadership, cooperation, and peer support are incorporated as motivators. The five subject areas are: language, fine arts, science, math, and social studies. This year's theme is India. The Academic Pentathlon is coordinated by San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE) Student Events.

The rules of the Pentathlon have changed this year. Instead of separate competitions for each grade level, this year there will be one competition. Teams may be comprised of sixth- through eighth-graders.

When: Saturday, May 7

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Super Quiz

3 p.m., Awards Ceremony

Where: East Union High School, Large Gymnasium

1700 N. Union Road, Manteca

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