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## **IDS-CC Students Receive Top Awards At County Science Fair**

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Independent Day School-Corbett Campus (IDS-CC) students earned numerous awards at the 2006 Hillsborough County Science Fair. The awards recognize the students' hard work, creativity, and knowledge of the scientific method.

In January, expert judges attended the IDS-CC Science Fair to review and critique all of the science projects completed by IDS students. These judges selected the projects that represented the school at the Hillsborough County Science Fair. Following is a list of the awards earned by these IDS-CC students.

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### MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION AWARDS

#### Haakon Hansen, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, *Organic and Non-organic Fertilizers*

Haakon earned great accolades for his project to determine how organic fertilizers affect algae growth differently from non-organic fertilizers. His awards included:

1. First place in Junior Botany
2. A \$50 cash award from Scientific American for his research
3. Chosen to compete in the State Science Fair held in April in Orlando.

#### Mari Ostrenko, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, *Underhand or Overhand – Award of Merit*

Mari's project discovered that the underhand serve allowed a server to locate the ball in a predetermined area more often than an overhand serve.

#### Deuce Gruden, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, *Do Flashing Lights Repel? - Award of Merit*

Using an aquarium and flashing lights, he researched if sharks would be repelled by flashing lights. Deuce discovered that flashing lights attracted the barracuda he used in his experiment.

#### Michael Fears, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, *Retention Ponds and Lakes - Award of Merit*

Michael wanted to find out if retention ponds protected near-by lakes from harmful substances. By running water-quality tests on retention pond water and lake water, he found that retention ponds are doing their jobs. Michael discovered that retention ponds were more acidic than lake water thus showing that retention ponds were holding back acidic materials from the lake.

### INTERMEDIATE DIVISION AWARDS

#### SMALL GROUP PROJECTS:

**Jordan Fuller** and **Alana Robertson** received a Superior Award for their project

*Spill Proof Sippy Cups?*

**Katie Bernstine** and **Halle Jackson** received an Award of Merit for their project, *Cookin'*

*Crayons.*

**Kaitlyn Bumpass** and **Grace Rogers** received an Award of Merit for *Battle of the*

*Barking Batteries.*

#### INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS: SUPERIOR AWARDS

**Cassidy Brown, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, *Does the Design of the Paper Airplane Affect the Distance it Flies?***

**Abigail Friedman, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, *See Me, Feel Me, Touch Me, Hear Me***

**Sarah Rehl, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, *Aerodynamics for Racing: Which Shape Will Make You a Winner?***

#### INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS: AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

**David Friedman, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, *Whose Buds Are Wiser?***

**Helen Foe, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, *The Water In A River: Country to City***

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## **INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS: AWARDS OF MERIT**

**Avi Baskin**, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, *Tone Changes with Tension*

**Josh Hess**, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, *Does the Time of Day Affect the Power of a Solar Cell*

**Nirja Patel**, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, *How Do Different Types of Wattage Bulbs Affect the Amount of Heat Given Off?*

**Caroline Poole**, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, *Is Bigger Better? What Size Water Balloon Will Go Farthest in a Sling Shot?*

*Founded in 1968, Independent Day School-Corbett Campus is a fully accredited, independent school located in northwest Hillsborough County with 550 students from Pre-K3 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. At IDS, all children experience learning in a nurturing and highly academic environment focused on excellence and developing a positive self-concept. IDS-CC has become recognized as an exemplary school with over 2,000 visitors observing and learning from and with IDS-CC teachers. For more information about IDS visit <http://www.idsyas.com>.*

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