



Our students will shape and lead the future

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Jack Kidd gets seventh in the state at the [National Geographic Geo Bee](#)

Woodside Elementary student is a super geography fifth-grader

Bees were held in schools with fourth-through eighth-grade students throughout the state to determine each school champion. Over 5,000 students competed this year in Washington state alone.

School champions then took a qualifying test, which they submitted to the National Geographic Society. Jack's scores were in the top 107 for the state and he was invited to participate in the Washington state final. Not only did he make it to the final round, he was the youngest finalist.

"Meeting people, making friends and getting through the knock-out round were some special memories," said Jack Kidd.

"Jack made Woodside very proud and he placed seventh in the state, beating out 100 other finalists," said his teacher [Deborah Wrobel](#).

"The best thing, as a teacher, that I could hear was at the very end Jack said, 'I had SO much FUN!' There's nothing better than that, because Jack was doing what he loved," said Wrobel.

Here's just a sample of some of the qualifying questions ... how do you fare?

1. There's a forest of crooked trees in Poland. These oddly shaped pine trees are located near the Baltic Sea on which continent?

Answer = Europe

2. Khone [CONE] Falls, a cataract on the Mekong River, has acted as a barrier preventing an upstream country from using the river as a major trade route. Khone Falls is located in which landlocked country?

Answer = Laos

3. Taylor Swift performed songs from her album Red last summer in Kuala Lumpur, the capital of which Asian country that borders the South China Sea?

Answer = Malaysia