MUSCATEL MIDDLE SCHOOL "Setting the Standard for Excellence

Jessica Ancona, Principal Ginny Ford, Assistant Principal Victoria Torres, School Psychologist

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Science Olympiad is a national competition for elementary, middle, and high school students that was established 32 years ago. Science Olympiad covers all science areas, including biology, chemistry, geology, physics, engineering, and technology. Each year there are twenty-three exciting competition events for a school team of fifteen students at the regional, state, and national levels.

The Muscatel Middle School Science Olympiad Team, now in its 15th year of competition, won the Los Angeles County Regional Finals for the twelfth consecutive year on February 27th, 2016. The team then went on to win the California State Championship Finals for the ninth time in eleven years on April 2nd, 2016. As a result, the team will represent California at the U.S. National Tournament at the University of Wisconsin, in Menomonie, Wisconsin, May 20th-21st, 2016. It will be the team's ninth National Tournament appearance. The goal for this year's team is a Top-3 overall finish out of 60 competing teams. The team's best finish at the National Tournament was 4th place in 2011 at the University of Wisconsin, in Madison, Wisconsin.

It will cost about \$35,000 to send our student team members and coaches to the National Tournament in Wisconsin. The projected amount includes airfare, accommodations, ground transportation, and meals. The team has been fundraising the entire year, but the team is still substantially short of its projected costs.

The team is asking for tax-deductible donations to help fund our national trip expenses. Please write a check, payable to Muscatel ASB (Science Olympiad). Please send your donation to Muscatel Middle School c/o Muscatel ASB (Science Olympiad) at 4201 North Ivar Avenue, Rosemead, CA 91770. Thank you so much for your consideration.

For additional information regarding the Science Olympiad program, please visit <u>www.soinc.org</u>. For additional information about Muscatel Science Olympiad, feel free to call Jun Lugue at 626 287 1139, ext 520, or email to <u>JLugue@Rosemead.k12.ca.us</u>. Thank you again for your support.

Gratefully yours,

Jun L. Lugue Muscatel Science Olympiad Coach

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