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TITLE: **Pantex crowns Science Bowl winner for 2025**

Middle and high school students from across the Texas Panhandle competed in their own education-based Super Bowl during the 2025 Pantex Regional Science Bowl.

The students gathered at AmTech Career Academy in Amarillo over a couple of Saturdays for the head-to-head competition sponsored by Pantex.

The middle school Science Bowl brought 24 teams together from as far south as the Lubbock area on January 25 for a fast-paced day of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) competition. Following the first rounds of double-elimination, science-based questions and answers, Hutchinson Middle School Team 1 from Lubbock was undefeated going into the final rounds against the 2024 champions from Bonham Middle School. Bonham won the first round, but Hutchinson bounced back after its first loss to emerge victorious, earning \$1,000 dollars for their school's science program and an invitation to an all-expense-paid trip to the Department of Energy's National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C.

Overall, Hutchinson Middle School Team 1 took the title, followed by Bonham Middle School Team 1, which received \$500 dollars for their school. Lorenzo de Zavala Middle School Team 1 placed third and received \$250 dollars. Canyon Middle School Team 1 took home the \$500 sportsmanship award, voted on by the volunteers who staff the rooms during the competition.

The high school Science Bowl, held two weeks later on February 15, hosted 16 teams from across the region. Following the same double-elimination format, the afternoon final came down to Amarillo High School Team 1 against Lubbock High Team 1. Following two rounds in the finals, Amarillo High School Team 1 claimed the top prize along with \$1,000 for their school and an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. for the national competition. Lubbock High School Team 1 took second place and \$500 dollars, followed by All Saints Episcopal School Team 1, which finished in third place and earned \$250. All Saints Episcopal Team 2 earned the sportsmanship award and \$500 for their school.

Amarillo High's team will join Hutchinson Middle School to represent the region at the Department of Energy National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C., in April.



Amarillo High School advances to the National Science Bowl after winning the final round during the day's competition.

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