**Congratulations to the JH Science Olympiad Team, Regional Alternates for State!?!**

**1st Dynamic Planet (Quincy Crone & Kierra de Jong) *state bound***

**1st Heredity (Sam Coin & Ryelin Hulet) *state bound***

**1st Solar System (Kierra de Jong & Gage Iddings) *state bound***

**1st Write It/Do It (Quincy Crone & Jillian Plymell) *state bound***

**2nd Anatomy & Physiology (Quincy Crone & Kierra de Jong)**

**2nd Battery Buggy (Landon Woodward & *support Gage Iddings*)**

**2nd Crime Busters (Sam Coin & Jillian Plymell)**

**2nd Disease Detectives (Kason Butler & Ryelin Hulet)**

**3rd Density Lab (Kelsey Crabtree & Landon Woodward)**

**3rd Fossils (Ryelin Hulet & Jillian Plymell)**

**3rd Road Scholar (Quincy Crone & Maesen Weller)**

**4th Boomilever (Kelsey Crabtree & *support Kierra de Jong*)**

**4th Circuit Lab (Landon Woodward & Daltyn Sperry)**

**4th Experimental Design (Ryelin Hulet, Gage Iddings, Daltyn Sperry)**

**4th Herpetology (Kelsey Crabtree & Kason Butler)**

**4th Meteorology (Jillian Plymell & Daltyn Sperry)**

**5th Game On (Ryelin Hulet & Gage Iddings)**

**5th Mystery Architecture (Sam Coin & Kelsey Crabtree)**

**5th Potions & Poisons (Kason Butler)**

**5th Water Quality (Kason Butler & Maesen Weller)**

**Six students, in four event qualifying teams, will be headed to the Junior High State Science Olympiad in Fulton, Missouri on April 27th. Additionally, for the third year in a row, the team itself placed as Regional Alternate, but once again due to their smaller than typical size with respect to student numbers, missed the ranking by a single point. Pattonsburg students gave a valiant effort however and succeeded in medaling in either first or second place in over a third of the competition’s events. This is a younger team and was composed of only eleven students, less than half of whom had ever competed before. Many of the events were replaced, including four we had previously taken to state, or reimagined, so all of our team members found themselves studying new material. Landon Woodward built what is, as far as Mrs. Hulet knows, our school’s first Battery Buggy, and earned an impressive second place medal for his efforts. Ryelin Hulet and Gage Iddings learned computer coding and competed there for our school’s first time. Science Olympiad is a truly challenging activity where students are often tested, even at the junior high division, on college level material, often against schools significantly larger than ourselves. Our team did a great job and we are very proud of them. Team members are: (freshmen) Quincy Crone, Ryelin Hulet, Jillian Plymell; (eighth graders) Kason Butler, Sam Coin, Maesen Weller; (seventh graders) Kelsey Crabtree, Kierra de Jong, Gage Iddings, Daltyn Sperry, and Landon Woodward. This year will marks our three freshmen’s third year of each making it to state, and our eighth grader Sam Coin’s second. At the awards ceremony the event director made a special point in stating to the assemby that Jillian Plymell and Quincy Crone had done a regional first, and got an almost a perfect build for Write It/Do It, missing by a single off-set Lego piece. The six team members moving on to state are, Quincy Crone, Jillian Plymell, Ryelin Hulet, Sam Coin, Kierra de Jong, and Gage Iddings. They will be competing in Dynamic Planet, Heredity, Solar System, and Write It/Do It.**