

Under a bright, blue sky at Ryerson Station State Park, the 24th annual Greene County Envirothon was held on May 5, 2011. Twelve high school teams from all five Greene County school districts attended this contest to test their environmental knowledge in five subject areas: Soils, Forestry, Wildlife, Aquatics and the 2011 special topic: "Salt and Fresh Water Estuaries." A variety of hands-on testing methods are used with only 35 minutes allowed at each station.

This event is organized each year by the Greene County Conservation District and was funded through a grant from the Community Foundation of Greene County's Pennsylvania Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program.

Carmichaels Team #1 won this year's competition with a score of 443 points out of 500 points possible. This team will now compete at the State Envirothon to be held May 24-25 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, PA and at Shikellamy State Park, Sunbury, PA. Each student on the winning team secures a \$500 college scholarship which was funded by Alpha Natural Resources.

For more information on this event, please contact Laurel Rush at 724-852-5278.

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**Carmichaels Team #1 IS #1**



*(Left to Right) Tom Headlee, Conservation District Board Member; Michelle Anderson, Alpha Natural Resources; and team members Luke Cumpston, Christine Broadwater, Samantha May, Robert Kowalewski, Kasey Osborne, and team Advisor Kevin Willis.*