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MOTHER OF PROVIDENCE REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL SEAPERCH TEAM PLACES FIRST AT THE GREATER PHILADELPHIA SEAPERCH CHALLENGE

Wallingford, PA, May 5, 2016– **The Mother of Providence Sea Perch Team** took first place in the Design Notebook category at the Greater Philadelphia SeaPerch Challenge held at Temple University on April 29, 2016. The Greater Philadelphia SeaPerch Challenge is open to middle schools and high schools in the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware region. The goal is to increase student interest in robotics, science, mathematics, engineering and technology and to introduce students to naval engineering. The event is structured to give students an overall experience of the engineering process.

The first category in the competition, Vehicle Performance, is a test of how well the students did in designing and building their Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV). The second category, Poster Presentation, is a test of how well the students can convey their engineering ideas and market their ROV. The third category, Design Notebook, is a test of the students organizational and documentation capabilities. The fourth category, Spirit & Sportsmanship, is a test of the students' capabilities to recognize and encourage better solutions and engineering.



Pictured top row (from L to R) are: Ian VanDam, Grade 7, Gabriel Lehman, Grade 7, Ella Bellace, Gr. 6, Front (L to R) Leah Moyer, Gr. 6, Maeve McMahon, Gr. 6, Kyle Taylor, Grade 7, Cole Clancy, Gr. 7, Theresa Haas, Gr. 7

About the SeaPerch program:

SeaPerch is an innovative underwater robotics program that equips teachers and students with the resources they need to build an underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) in an in-school or out-of-school setting. Students build the ROV from a kit comprised of low-cost, easily accessible parts, following a curriculum that teaches basic engineering and science concepts with a marine engineering theme. The SeaPerch Program provides students with the opportunity to learn about robotics, engineering, science, and mathematics (STEM) while building an underwater ROV as part of a science and engineering technology curriculum. Throughout the project, students will learn engineering concepts, problem solving, teamwork, and technical applications. For more information, please visit: www.seaperch.org

About Mother of Providence Regional Catholic School:

Located in Wallingford, Pennsylvania on a 16-acre suburban campus, Mother of Providence Regional Catholic School promotes a Catholic learning environment in which every child develops spiritually, intellectually and socially. In addition to a religious education firmly rooted in our Catholic tradition, we offer a challenging academic curriculum. Students develop a love of learning and a strong moral conscience in a disciplined, caring environment.

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