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University City High School Students to Attend Prestigious Lecture
Saint Louis Science Center Hosts American Mathematical Society’s Arnold Ross Lecture

University City, MO – More than a dozen University City High School students will attend the American Mathematical Society’s (AMS) 2018 Arnold Ross Lecture on Wednesday, Oct. 24 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Saint Louis Science Center. The guest lecturer, Tadashi Tokieda of Stanford University, will present on the topic: “A World from a Sheet of Paper.” Professor Tokieda will explore a diversity of phenomenon, from magic tricks to geometry and elasticity, and the traditional Japanese art of origami.

In addition, UCHS student Dominic Torno has been selected as a contestant for the game “Who Wants to Be a Mathematician,” which will take place following the lecture at 11:15 a.m. “Who Wants to Be a Mathematician” is a game in which high school students compete for cash and prizes by answering multiple choice mathematics questions from pre-calculus mathematics, including algebra, trigonometry, geometry, combinatorics, and probability. The top prize is $3,000.

The lecture and game are for talented mathematics students in the eleventh and twelfth grades. University City High School will be one of only seven schools represented at the lecture.

“I am excited for our students to participate in this prestigious learning opportunity,” said Michael Peoples, principal of University City High School. “This demonstrates how our students continue to excel in academics, both inside and outside the classroom setting.”

According to the AMS, the annual Arnold Ross Lecture is intended to stimulate interest in mathematics beyond the traditional classroom and to demonstrate the tremendous opportunities for careers in mathematics as teachers and as researchers in government, industry, and university programs. The location of the lecture rotates every year so that talented high school math students around the country can learn from a world-class mathematician. In 1993, the series was dedicated to Professor Arnold E. Ross of Ohio State University for his many contributions to the development of mathematical and scientific talent.

More information about the American Mathematical Society and the Arnold Ross Lecture can be found at ams.org/programs/students/ross-lectures/ross-lectures.

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