

Student Wins Jugend Forscht

As announced in last week's Parent Bulletin, ISB Grade 12 student A.M. participated in this year's "Jugend Forscht" (Youth Researches) Regional Competition and won in her category Physics. Her winning entry was entitled: „Investigation of the Relationship Between the Surface Area of a Sail and the Velocity of a Boat.“ The award was a great achievement for A. particularly as she is a native English speaker who had to present completely in German. She went on to participate in the State Competition and ended up second in her category. This unfortunately does not allow her to compete in the nationwide competition, but what an achievement! Well done A. - we are very proud of you!!!

Read now a short report about her experiences at the competition, written in her own words:

Jugend Forscht is a nationwide Science competition which encourages students to conduct experiments and research. During the February break I took part in the first stage of the competition, and last week I went on to the next stage.

The competition was set up in a similar way to a science fair, each candidate had a desk and some space to hang up posters, and judges and guests came around and could read the posters and ask questions. This was quite a challenge for me as many people didn't speak English and so I had to explain my experiment in German. After the judges came around, we had lunch in the university cafeteria, afterwards we watched a presentation about IT, and the next day the winners were announced. The competition gave me an amazing opportunity to discuss my experiment with the judges who were very happy to give me advice and feedback. It was also great to see what students in other schools are doing.

