

2017 NCF-Envirothon

2017 NCF-Envirothon was held at Saint Mary's University in Emmittsburg, Maryland, July 23-28, 2017. 54 teams, including two teams from China that was attending to see what the program is about, competed for scholarships provided by Smithfield Foods.



2017 Missouri Team - Mulan Jiang, Pallavi Jonnalagadda, Lily Jiang, GinaSingh, Katrina Zhao, Marjorie MacGregor advisor

The Missouri team is from Pembroke Hill High School in Kansas City, this was the first year for their advisor Marjorie MacGregor. The competition started on Sunday, July 23 with the Opening Session including entertainment by Bill Brennan (a.k.a. "Billy B"), with his exciting and unique style of combining environmental education and entertainment. Billy B, a trained educator turned performer, uses songs and dances which he writes and choreographs himself to teach children of all ages about the wonders of natural science, ecology and the environment. Monday was training day and Tuesday was the field testing with 100 point tests at each of the resource stations (Aquatics, Forestry, Soils/Land Use, Wildlife and Agriculture Stewardship). Wednesday the team, guests and volunteers all went to Washington, DC and then on to the Chesapeake Bay for a crab fest. Thursday the teams were given the oral presentation scenario and sequestered for the rest of the day to prepare their 20 minute presentation on their solution to the Agriculture Stewardship scenario provided by the Maryland planning committee. The presentations were given on Friday with the top 3 overall high scoring teams presenting again for a different panel of judges.



The Missouri team achieved the high score for the Soils/Land Use test scoring 96 out of a possible 100. They placed 4th overall in the competition just missing the top 3 by 7 points. [2017 Scoresheet.](#)