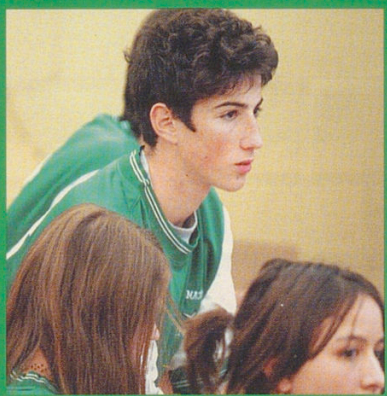


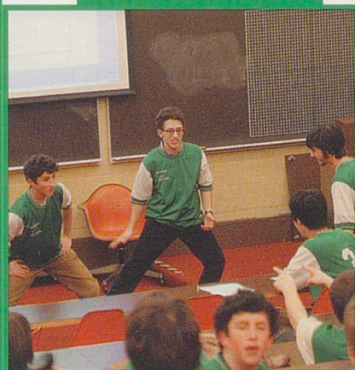
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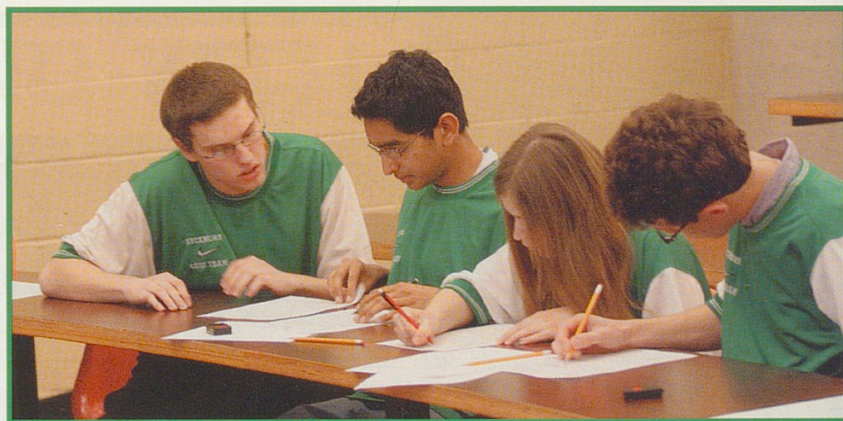
Samuel Snow, 11, focuses intently on the match. On the day of a match, the varsity team would participate in two matches. The junior varsity's match was in the middle of the two varsity matches.



Sanjay Choudhury, 10, and Rohan Chaudhary, 10, sit and chat before a match. There were matches almost every Wednesday. While many were at other schools in the GMC, a good number of competitions were held at home.



Samuel Snow, 11, Daniel Zimmer, 11, and Thomas Zajdel, 10, warm up before competing. While quiz team was not a rigorously physical activity, it was still considered a school sport. The team hoped for more recognition as a sport in the future.

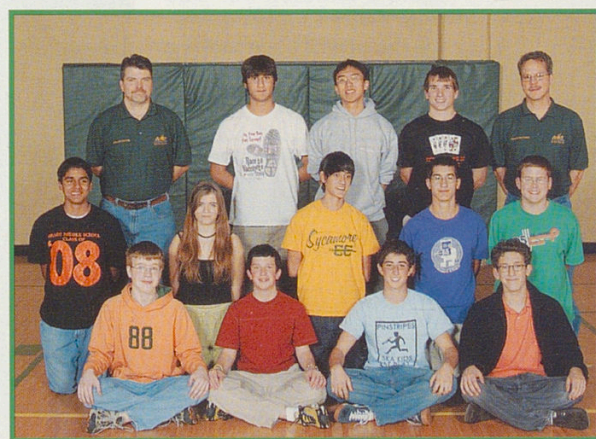


Collaboration is the key. Brian Clark, 12, Abhijeet Gummadavelli, 12, Anna Arays, 12, and Daniel Zimmer, 11, talked amongst themselves during an intense quiz team match. Working together was a very important aspect of being on the team.

QUIZ TEAM

Final Record: 8-10

2nd Place in GMC	
Princeton	Milford
61-70	59-71
80-46	78-70
Middletown	Hamilton
74-70	85-67
72-75	60-65
Oak Hills	Fairfield
81-60	56-61
64-28	72-50
Colerain	Lakota West
53-75	53-68
68-77	48-57
Lakota East	
47-43	
53-64	



Row 1: Mark Dapkins, 10, Robert Friedman, 10, Samuel Snow, 11, and Daniel Zimmer, 11. Row 2: Rohan Chaudhary 10, Anna Arays, 12, Sanjay Choudhury, 10, Mark Szymczak, 10, and Ryan Cummins, 12. Row 3: Coach Ken Clark, Thomas Zajdel, 10, Billy Tang, 10, Tony Semones, 12, and Coach Mel Hoffard. Not Pictured: Brian Clark, 12, Abhijeet Gummadavelli, 12, Michael Kim, 12, Joshua Lee, 12, and Jasmine Nazek, 12.

TAKING SPORTS TO MENTAL LEVELS

Exceeding expectations of GMC sports

By: Rachel Hershberger

The quiz team was a GMC winter sport, and it was taken very seriously by those involved. The team consisted of a varsity and a junior varsity team. Each was made up of eight students, and were advised by Mr. Ken Clark and Mr. Mel Hoffert.

Two hour practices were held three times a week, using old contest materials to brush up on skills. Matches were held at various schools within the GMC.

"Quiz team was an interesting experience. I didn't expect it to get so intense," said Michael Kim, 12.

Each 45 minute match was divided into three rounds: the category round, alphabet round, and lightning round. The category round consisted of ten categories, and each category was accompanied with three questions. The alphabet round consisted of 20 questions, each with

answers starting with the same letter. Finally, the lightning round consisted of questions that the students answered by using a buzzer.

Four people from each team participated at a time; they were placed in different rounds based on their skills and strengths. Questions varied from arts and literature to math and science, and everything in between. It gave a chance for students to brush up on interesting and fun facts.

"Quiz team is a great way to improve overall knowledge and it is also a good reason to learn useless facts," said Daniel Zimmer, 11.

Trivial knowledge was one reason to participate in this activity, or sport. Although it was not recognized as a GMC sport, Quiz Team hopes for more recognition for their hard training in the future.

"One of these days, we'll get time in the Gregory Center," said Samuel Snow, 11.