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## **FOURTEEN EANES ISD DESTINATION IMAGINATION TEAMS ADVANCE**

AUSTIN, Texas—A total of 14 teams from schools in the Eanes Independent School District (EISD) have qualified for the Destination Imagination (DI) state finals based on their regional finish. DI is an international creative problem-solving competition. Five teams qualified from Westlake High School, as well as four from West Ridge Middle School, two from Forest Trail Elementary, and one each from Bridge Point Elementary, Valley View Elementary and Hill Country Middle School.

Four EISD teams also won the highest awards at their level for creative engineering (Renaissance Award) or for creative design (DaVinci Award). In addition, a "Spirit of DI" award for outstanding teamwork was presented to Team 3 from Valley View Elementary: "Breaking DI News" (Lezlie Jackson, team manager).

A complete list of **state qualifying** teams, along with special awards won, follows:

**Bridge Point Elementary:**

"You're Gonna Flip" (Nancy Register, team manager) – Renaissance Award

**Forest Trail Elementary:**

"You're Gonna Flip" (Stacey Ussery, team manager) – Da Vinci Award

"You're Gonna Flip" (Sheila Medford, team manager)

**Valley View Elementary:**

"DI-BOT" (Patricia Bowers, team manager)

**Hill Country Middle School:**

"Do or DI" (Stacey Ussery, team manager) – Renaissance Award (includes 2 WRMS students)

**West Ridge Middle School:**

"Direct DIposit" (Tina Cook, team manager)

"Breaking DI News" (Patricia Bowers, team manager)

"Project Outreach: Band Together" (Amy Price, team manager)

"You're Gonna Flip" (John Rowley, team manager)

**Westlake High School:**

"Breaking DI News" (Debra Jacobsen, team manager)

"Do Or DI" (Renee Guthrie/Amy Lowrey, team manager) – Renaissance Award

"DI Extreme" (Janna Brown, team manager)

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The state event will be held in the Dallas area April 16-18. For information contact EISD Director of Communications Dale Whitaker at (512) 732-9002.

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