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ALGONQUIN COLLEGE HOSTS FIRST-ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER PROGRAMMING OLYMPICS

Algonquin College's Computer Studies department is hosting its first-annual High School Computer Programming Olympics. This is a computer programming contest open to all Ottawa-area high school students. Students have been given two weeks to create a computer game based on a problem posted on April 25 on Algonquin College's School of Advanced Technology Web site, www.algonquincollege.com/atec. Finalists will be chosen to participate in a single-day contest where they must enhance their original game to meet new requirements. Among the prizes to be won are trophies, computer equipment and scholarships for the winning participants.

Who: Teams of 3-5 students from Ottawa-area high schools will be participating in Algonquin College's first-annual High School Computer Programming Olympics.

What: Algonquin College's first-annual High School Computer Programming Olympics.

When: Preliminary Problem Distribution - Friday, April 25, 2003
Registration Deadline - Friday, May 2, 2003
Finalists Announced - Friday, May 16, 2003
Competitors Solutions Posted - Friday, May 16, 2003
The Final Round - Saturday, May 24, 2003
- Award ceremony - 3:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Where: Algonquin College, Woodroffe Campus,
Advanced Technology Centre ('T' Building) Room T102
Parking available in Visitor Parking.