

## ***Buroker Qualifies for State GeoBee***

Miles Buroker, a seventh-grade student at Hillcrest Middle School, has qualified to participate in the 2009 Connecticut National Geographic Bee on April 3 at Central Connecticut State University in New Britain.

The winner of the school's GeoBee in January, Buroker will be among 100 Connecticut middle school students who scored highest on a written exam following their local-school triumphs. This marks the fourth consecutive year that Hillcrest's GeoBee champion has qualified for the state competition.

A state-wide forum to allow students to showcase their knowledge of map literacy, world cultures, and current events that is sponsored by the National Geographic Society, the Connecticut champion will join those from other states for the national GeoBee in Washington, D.C. on May 19-20.

*Editor's Note: The Trumbull ACE Foundation's grant funded Hillcrest's registration fee to enable all of the school's students to participate in this competition in their thirty-five Social Studies classes followed by the school-level competition involving the top ten finalists.*