



Kyri Marinos, Kristina Vetter, Rose Lisi, and, kneeling, Jimmy McEwan, won first place in the grade seven through nine division for their poster titled "Choose the Cookie That's the Best and Forget the Rest." (Submitted photo)

Poster project teaches statistics

Recently, four seventh grade students from Madison Middle School competed in the 2011 Connecticut American Statistical Poster Competition. Each year the American Statistical Association Connecticut chapter organizes a statistical poster competition for all students in Connecticut grades K-12. The mission of the organization is to encour-

age the use and appreciation of statistics and their applications, and to facilitate interaction among all persons having an interest in or being concerned with the field of statistics.

The poster was an extension of an exploration that was completed in the students' seventh grade pre-algebra class. Students used what

they learned about statistical analysis and statistical graphing to determine which brand of chocolate chip cookie is the best.

The students were awarded a cash prize of \$100 and were recognized for their accomplishments at an awards ceremony at the University of Connecticut on April 16.