Of the 253 solution papers submitted for consideration to Moody’s Mega Math Challenge 2008, only 58 (23%) advanced to the second round of judging.

Of those 58 papers, 11 were deemed worthy of recognition. Five of these papers received an Honorable Mention Team Prize of $1000 each.

The Honorable Mention Teams

**High Technology High School**
*Team #194*
Lincroft, NJ
Coach: Raymond Eng
Team: Robert Frederick Karol Praveen Ganti Ranganath Andrew Jonathan Shum

**Manalapan High School**
*Team #73*
Manalapan, NJ
Coach: Victoria McKeon
Team: Ilan Beitscher Rick Castellano Hersh Lakdawala Mark Liu Harrison Touati

**Manalapan High School**
*Team #72*
Manalapan, NJ
Coach: Jessy Friedman
Team: Michael Bacsik Jephthah Liddie Joshua Newman Thomas Sozzi Kevin Tien

**West Windsor-Plainsboro High School North**
*Team #94*
Plainsboro, NJ
Coach: John Cornell
Team: Shir Aharon Peter Po Maa Logan Maingi Jason Steinberg Joshua Sung

**West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South**
*Team #180*
Junction, NJ
Coach: Carol Reichmann
Team: Ian Frankel Kevin Gu Mengsong Li Chih-Hsuan Wu Lingfeng Zhou

The top six teams, selected unanimously by the judges, are required to present their solution papers and answer questions about their work. Each of these teams will win one of the following scholarship prizes:

- **Summa Cum Laude Team Prize** $20,000
- **Magna Cum Laude Team Prize** $15,000
- **Cum Laude Team Prize** $10,000
- **Meritorious Team Prize** $7,500
- **Exemplary Team Prize** $5,000
- **First Honorable Mention Team Prize** $2,500

The Contenders

**High Technology High School**
*Team #128*
Lincroft, NJ
Coach: Raymond Eng
Team: Thomas Christopher Jackson Kelly Christine Roache Afanasiy Sergey Yermakov Jason Brett Zukus

**Holmdel High School**
*Team #198*
Holmdel, NJ
Coach: Josephine Blaha
Team: Eric Chung Alap Parikh Ashutosh Singhal

**Hunterdon Central Regional High School**
*Team #141*
Flemington, NJ
Coach: David Gelb
Team: Brandon Comella Gawan Lai Kelvin Mei Nevin Raj Yiwen Zhan

**Manalapan High School**
*Team #178*
Manalapan, NJ
Coach: Catherine McDonagh
Team: Anand Desai Ruby Lee Shengzhi Li Anirvan Mukherjee Lingke Wang

**Shrewsbury High School**
*Team #175*
Shrewsbury, MA
Coach: George Lewis
Team: Brett Musco Cameron Musco Christopher Musco Christopher Shaw Karan Takhar
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Awards Ceremony: 4:30–6:30 p.m.