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## Pikesville High team to compete in "It's Academic" Baltimore-area finals on Saturday, June 26

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What: The Pikesville High School It's Academic Team will compete in the finals of the

Baltimore-area trivia competition. Coached by social studies teacher Ethan Goodman, the team is led by three 2021 graduates, Ben Matz (captain), Ryan Kornblit, and Jacob Lane. The team will face off against Centennial and Howard, two Howard County high schools. Baltimore County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Darryl L. Williams and

Pikesville High Principal Sandra Reid will attend the virtual championship.

When: Saturday, June 26, at 10 a.m.

Where: "It's Academic," on WJZ-TV Channel 13

Background: Goodman has coached Pikesville's team since 2016. Kornblit, Lane, and Matz

participated on the team since they were freshmen.

The Pikesville High It's Academic Team, for the second straight year, advanced further

than any other BCPS team. Last year, the team advanced to the semi-finals.

This school year, 81 teams entered the competition in the fall, and Pikesville won its first three matches. The team went the entire season without answering a single question

incorrectly.

The It's Academic competition, usually filmed at WJZ studios in Baltimore, was filmed

this year on Zoom.

(Editor's note: A photo of the team accompanies this release. Standing behind the team is coach Goodman and Principal Reid.)

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