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Orioles + Math = SUMDOG Domination

SUMDOG is an annual contest held among Eaton County classrooms in math. Students answer math equations and the school with the most participation and correct answers are crowned champions. This year Mr. Briney/Mrs. Wonnacot's students are the official rulers of math in Eaton County.

Their students correctly answered 140,475 math problems with 90% of this work was done outside of school.



6th grader Esa Robles stated, "If I don't understand a lesson, I can practice it on Sumdog." Not only does SUMDOG provide additional practice, but math teacher Lori Bunker notes the program adapts to the level of the player, providing appropriate challenges as well.

SUMDOG provides each student with 1,000 questions to answer. The program encourages automaticity, the ability to quickly recall answers to math facts. This automaticity comes in handy when students have to deal with more complex math problems because they can break the problems into simpler parts to help them solve the equation easier.

As an added benefit Charlotte Upper Elementary teachers point out that the competition provides friendly rivalry among peers, between classrooms, and between local schools. SUMDOG also aligns with the State Common Core and reinforces Go Math! Skills, which is the district's primary math curriculum.

Congratulations to all of the Charlotte Upper Elementary mathletes on their incredible work.

**Go Orioles! Oriole Pride**