

Trivia goes cable

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Students from five area high schools will have a chance to see themselves on public access cable television.

Students from Harrison, Farmington, Mercy, North Farmington and Novi High Schools recently taped the "Duel of Knowledge" game show at MetroVision of Oakland County in Farmington.

Bob McCann, general manager of MetroVision, tried to come up with a show that would involve as many people from the community as possible. "Duel of Knowledge" will be broadcast beginning in May.

"We wanted to produce and air a show that people in the community could really be a part of," said Susan Fallon, producer of the show.

The camera people, switchers and the host of the show, Norm Callin, are all volunteers from the community, only the producer and myself are staff," Fallon said.

lar board game "Trivial Pursuit." Fallon and a team of researchers compiled the questions from resources including trivia books and encyclopedias.

"We used the idea of 'Trivial Pursuit' because so many high school students are playing it now."

The winning team members will receive first-place ribbons. The winning school will receive the "Duel of Knowledge" traveling trophy engraved with the school name and winning year.

The game show could become a yearly event depending on community and school response, Fallon said.

"We hope the show will become an annual event in which the remaining schools have a chance to win the title of dueling champions."

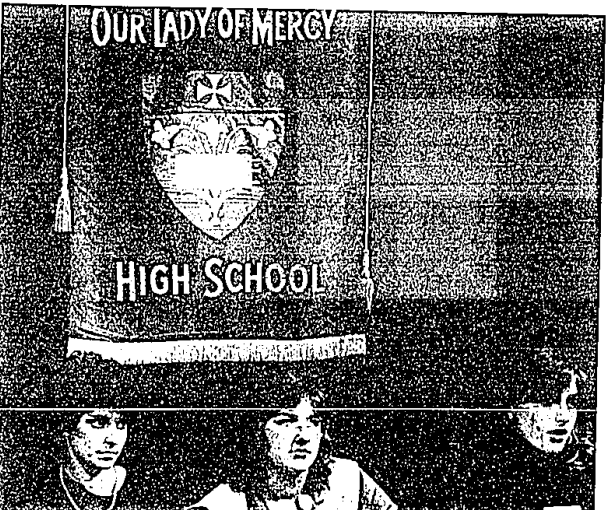
Members of the community who are interested in participating in or producing a show on the public access channel must first take part in a workshop/training period.

"We produce out of the Farmington area or residents from the community can come in and our staff will work with them," McCann said. Scheduling of events is on a first-come, first-served basis.



Students from North Farmington High School were represented by (left to right) Mark Auno, Tom Atkins and Dave Morley. The host for the show is Norm Callin.

THE FORMAT of the show is based on the popu-



Mercy students Paula Abowd, Joyce Tompsott and Amy DeMatilla wait for the taping to begin.



Checking a camera angle is the director of the show, Kathy Friedricks. She is also the community access coordinator for Metrovision.



Bernard Reilly and John Davenport from Oakland Community College served as judges.

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