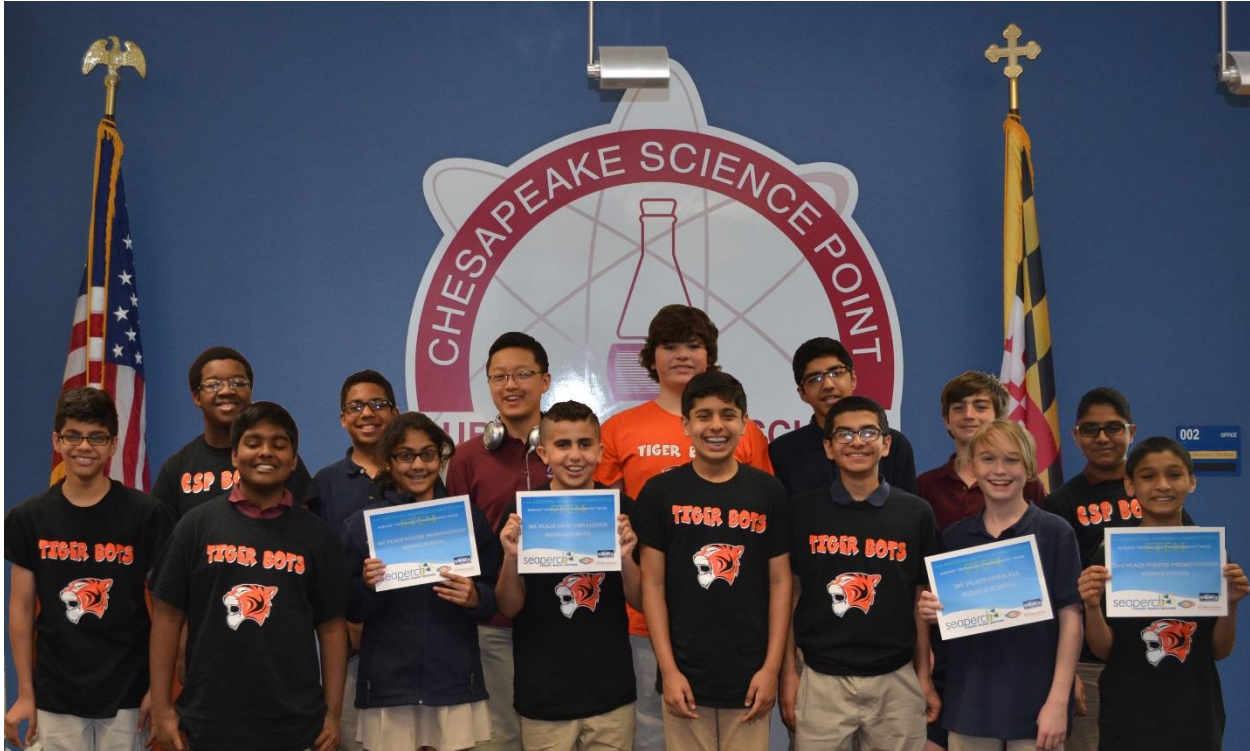


**Chesapeake Science Point's Middle School  
Robotics Team Wins at SeaPerch:  
*State Champions to represent Maryland in  
2016 SeaPerch Nationals***



**CSP's MS Robotics Team 2016 SeaPerch Maryland State Champions!**

**Front Row - [L to R] Uswa Hanif, Adharsh Maheswaran, Darsana Alagarsamy, Abdul Ahmed, Dhruva Kothari, Hayder Tahir, Sterling Goodwin, Om Mehta Back Row - [L to R] Oumarr Bah, Isaiah Monterroso, Aaron Chu, Maxwell Nelsen, Hamza Tahir, Aaron Zawislak, Rishi Erigineni**

April 23, 2016 - Winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place, the Chesapeake Science Point (CSP) Middle School's SeaPerch Robotics Team became the **2016 SeaPerch Maryland State Champions** at the SeaPerch competition held at the University of Maryland East Shore, Princess Anne.

The Maryland State SeaPerch Competition is an underwater robotics challenge with three categories of competition: #1 Project Presentation Category, #2 ORBS Challenge Category and #3 Obstacle Category.

The 1<sup>st</sup> place team is determined by the combination results from all three categories overall.

Not only did a CSP team win overall, but these champions also shared the spotlight with each other—sweeping the MS categories including: 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team in the “ORBS Challenge” & both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Teams for the “Project Presentation” category.

Team **Happy Manatees** consisted of Darsana Alagarsamy, Oumarr Bah, Sterling Goodwin, and Maxwell Nelsen got the **Overall First Place** and 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Project Presentation. They will represent the State of Maryland at the National SeaPerch Challenge which will be held at the Louisiana State University (LSU) in Baton Rouge, on May 20-21, 2016.

Team **Turtles** consisted of Abdul Ahmed, Rishi Erigineni, Hamza Tahir, and Aaron Zawislak got the First Place in ORBS Challenge with their perfect design that makes their robot move fast and enable them control it precisely.

Team **Squirrels** consisted of Uswa Hanif, Dhruva Kothari, Adharsh Maheswaran, and Om Mehta got the Second Place in Project Presentation.

Congratulations to all CSP MS Robotics Team, their parents and their coaches Mr. Bilgen and Mr. Calis! We wish them good luck at the Nationals!



*Warmest regards,*

*Mark J. Sutherland*

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