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Capitol Region Resident Places First in Science Fair

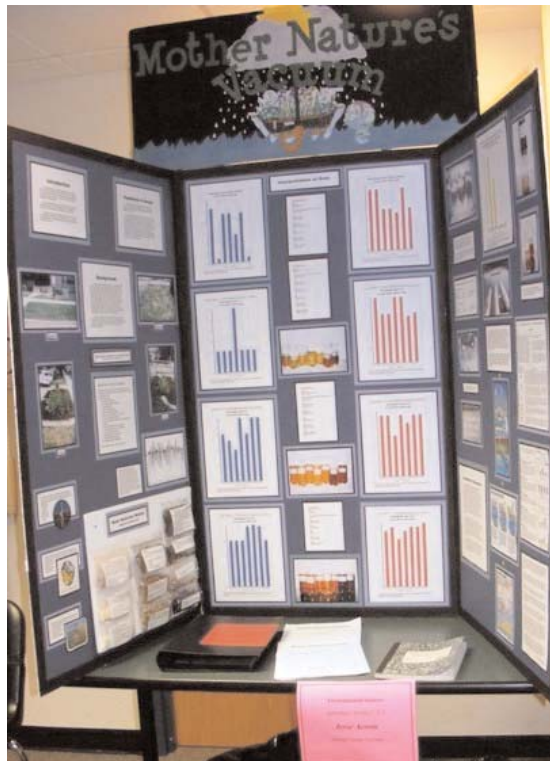
Jesse Acosta, a 9th grader at the Agriculture and Food Sciences Academy, took first place in the Environmental Sciences Division at the 2008 Roland Peterson Agriscience Fair with his project, *Raingardens: Nature's Vacuum*. He will advance with his project to a national competition held in Washington D.C.

Jesse's project examined the water quality benefits to stormwater treated in a raingarden in his front yard in St. Paul. The raingarden was installed with the help of a Stewardship Grant from Capitol Region Watershed District in 2006.

Great work, Jesse. Congratulations!



Jesse Acosta



Raingardens: Mother Nature's Vacuum