

By Carolyn Lee The Imperial Republican

The public will have a chance to see what some Chase County Schools (CCS) students have been building Saturday when an electric car rally will be held in the school parking lot.

Five students, under the direction of science teacher Kim Wilson, have built two cars that run on two 12-volt batteries that in turn run an electric motor.

The cars were built from kits, and have already had some "road" experience.

The students ran them at the Hastings Motor Sports Park Power Drive Rally in Hastings April 12. Car 02 came in third in the novice division with 18 laps.

Car 11 came in fifth in the novice division after suffering a wheel break and repair. It completed 12.5 laps in the race.

The first place car ran 24 laps, followed by a car with 20 laps for second place, according to Wilson.

Sponsors for the project include Imperial Public Power District, Imperial Country Ford, Lindskov Ag, Frenchman Valley Coop, Fanning Auction Service, Imperial NAPA and Paul Ekberg.

The rally at CCS will begin at 1 p.m. MT at the south parking lot. Wilson said it will be a small rally, involving the two cars from CCS and one from Dundy County-Stratton High School.

"We just wanted to be able to drive the cars and make sure they are running well before the Championships in Omaha on May 2," she said, "and have some fun, too."

Students participating in the project are Charles Holman, Curtis Laird, Cody Cochran, Carson Fanning and Kevin German.