

Nevada Site Office News

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High Schools to Compete in DOE Nevada Regional Science Bowl

The 17th Annual Nevada Regional Science Bowl will take place February 8 and 9 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). Thirty-two teams from Nevada, Utah, and California will test their math and science knowledge during the competition hosted by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), National Nuclear Security Administration Nevada Site Office (NNSA/NSO).

Teams will be competing for the Nevada Regional Science Bowl title, a trip to the National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C. and prize money for their school that is up to \$5,000.

The event starts Friday with a 2 p.m. registration and a free tour to students and teachers at the Atomic Testing Museum. A mock Science Bowl is scheduled for 7 p.m., at the UNLV Moyer Student Union. Friday's practice will give teams the opportunity to interact with their competitors, and to practice for the following day's competition.

The 13-round tournament will begin at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, in the UNLV Classroom Building Complex. After morning activities conclude, participants will break for lunch at 11:30 a.m. inside the Moyer Student Union. Keynote speaker, Craig M. Marianno, PhD., will address his career in Radiation Health Physics and his work on DOE emergency response teams. Also in attendance will be Gerald L. Talbot, Jr., NNSA/NSO Manager, and Dr. Steve Younger, President and CEO of National Security Technologies, LLC., the management and operations contractor for the Nevada Test Site.

Nate Tannenbaum will serve as master of ceremonies and will moderate the final round of competition, which will begin at 4:45 p.m. The winning team will be determined by 6:00 p.m.

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This year's schools include:

Nevada:

Las Vegas: Advanced Technologies Academy, Bonanza High School (2 teams), Centennial High School, Cheyenne High School (2 teams), Clark High School (2 teams), Faith Lutheran High School (2 teams), Legacy High School, Palo Verde High School, Shadow Ridge High School, The Meadows High School, Valley High School (2 teams) Reno: Bishop Manogue High School, Coral Academy of Science, Reno High School (2 teams) Henderson: Coronado High School Boulder City: Boulder City High School Minden: Douglas High School Fallon: Churchill County High School Sparks: Spanish Springs High School Winnemucca: Lowry High School Elko: Elko High School Pahrump: Pahrump Valley High School Virginia City: Virginia City High School Arizona: Goodyear: Millennium High School **California:**

Big Pine: Big Pine High School.

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