



Celebrating 19 Years of Competition

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103 Teams to Head to DOE's National Science Bowl® in Washington, D.C.

High School and Middle School Regional Champions from Around the Country to Compete at National Championship

WASHINGTON, DC— Students from 67 high school teams and 36 middle school teams from across the nation will compete next weekend for championship titles in the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) National Science Bowl in Washington D.C. The National Science Bowl is the nation's largest academic competition of its kind and the only one sponsored by a federal agency. The National Finals will be held from May 2 through May 4.

Each of the participating teams emerged from a regional competition to earn an all-expense-paid trip to the event. The participating teams represent 42 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. More than 15,000 high school students and 6,000 middle school students participated in this year's regional competitions.

Regional winners have spent months preparing for the contest, which features head-to-head competition in a question-and-answer format similar to *Jeopardy*. The students will be quizzed on all science disciplines including biology, chemistry, earth science, physics and astronomy, as well as math. Below is a sample question from a previous year's high school competition:

ASTRONOMY: In a red giant, at about 100 million degrees, the helium nuclei will fuse to form more of this element than any other. ANSWER: CARBON

This is the first year that the DOE's National Science Bowl will hold the middle school and high school competitions simultaneously. The middle school question-and-answer competition begins Saturday, May 2 at 9:30 a.m. at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. The high school teams will compete solving hands-on science experiments on Saturday afternoon, May 2. The high school question-and-answer competition begins Sunday, May 3 at 11:15 a.m. The championship rounds will be held Monday, May 4 from 10:00 am to 12:30 p.m. at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C. Middle school teams will also compete in a day-long Hydrogen Fuel Cell Model Car Competition on Sunday, May 3, at the Bethesda Chevy Chase High School in Bethesda, MD. Additional details will be announced in the coming days.

The 16 high school and 16 middle school teams advancing past the first elimination rounds will each return home with \$1000 and \$500, respectively, for their school science programs. The high school national champion will win an all-expense-paid science research trip to attend the International Science School at the University of Sydney, Australia.

DOE created the National Science Bowl in 1991 to encourage students to excel in mathematics and science and to pursue careers in these fields. DOE supports mathematics and science education to help provide a technically trained and diverse workforce for the nation.

Biographical information about the teams and additional information about DOE's National Science Bowl are available at <http://nationalsciencebowl.energy.gov>

The list of middle school and high school teams follows.

2009 Department of Energy National Science Bowl Regional Champions

Alabama

Auburn

Middle - Auburn Junior High School

High - Auburn High School

Arizona

Phoenix

Middle - Madison Park School

High - Brophy College Preparatory

Arkansas

Fort Smith

Middle - Ramsey Junior High School

Huntsville

High - Huntsville High School

California

Albany

High - Albany High School

Cupertino

High - Homestead High School

Fremont

Middle - Hopkins Junior High School

High - Mission San Jose High School

Fresno

Middle - Edison Computech 7-8

Goleta

High - Dos Pueblos High School

La Jolla

Middle - The Preuss School UCSD

High - La Jolla High School

Los Angeles

Middle - Florence Nightingale Middle School

Lodi

High - Tokay High School

North Hollywood

High - North Hollywood High School

Palo Cedro

High - Foothill High School

Sacramento

High - Mira Loma High School

Santa Monica

High - Santa Monica High School

Sunnyvale

Middle - Challenger School

Colorado**Englewood**

High - Cherry Creek High School

Fort Collins

High - Ridgeview Classical Schools

Connecticut**Hamden**

High - Hamden High School

District of Columbia

High - Woodrow Wilson Senior High School

Florida**Gainesville**

Middle - Lincoln Middle School

Plant City

High - Durant High School

Weston

High - Cypress Bay High School

Georgia**Lilburn**

High - Parkview High School

Hawaii**Honolulu**

High - Punahou School

Idaho**Boise**

High - Treasure Valley Math and Science Center

Coeur d'Alene

High - Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

Grangeville

High - Grangeville High School

Illinois**Chicago**

High - Benito Juarez Academy

Naperville

High - Naperville North High School

River Forest

Middle - Eleanor Roosevelt Middle School

Rockford

High - Rockford Auburn High School

Indiana

Terre Haute

Middle - Honey Creek Middle School

High - Terre Haute South Vigo High School

Iowa**Des Moines**

High - Central Academy

Dubuque

Middle - Eleanor Roosevelt Middle School

Kansas**Shawnee**

High - Mill Valley High School

Kentucky**Goshen**

Middle - North Oldham Middle School

Louisiana**Lafayette**

High - Lafayette High School

Maryland**Silver Spring**

Middle - Takoma Park Middle School, Silver Spring

High - Montgomery Blair High School, Silver Spring

Massachusetts**Lexington**

Middle - Jonas Clarke Middle School

High - Lexington High School

Michigan**Detroit**

High - Renaissance High School

Saginaw

Middle - Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy

Minnesota**St. Paul**

High - St. Paul Central High School

Springfield

Middle - Springfield Public Schools

Mississippi**Clinton**

Middle - Clinton Junior High School

Columbus

High - Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science

Missouri**Kansas City**

High - Pembroke Hill School

Montana**Billings**

Middle - Will James Middle School

Helena

High - Helena High School

Nebraska**Lincoln**

Middle - Lux Middle School

Omaha

High - Creighton Preparatory School

Nevada**Las Vegas**

Middle - Faith Lutheran Jr/Sr High School

High - The Meadows School

New Hampshire**Exeter**

High - Phillips Exeter Academy

New Jersey**Plainsboro**

High - West Windsor-Plainsboro High School North

Princeton Junction

Middle - Thomas Grover Middle School

New Mexico**Albuquerque**

Middle - Albuquerque Academy

High - Albuquerque Academy

Las Cruces

Middle - Sierra Middle School

High - Oñate High School

New York**Brooklyn**

High - Brooklyn Technical High School, Brooklyn

Delmar

High - Bethlehem Central High School, Delmar

East Setauket

High - Ward Melville High School, East Setauket

Niskayuna

Middle - Van Antwerp Middle School, Niskayuna

Stony Brook

Middle - Robert Cushman Murphy Junior High School, Stony Brook

Syracuse

High - Syracuse University STEP, Syracuse

Tonawanda

Middle - St. Christopher School, Tonawanda

North Carolina**Raleigh**

High - William G. Enloe High School

North Dakota

Dickinson

High - Dickinson High School

Ohio

Centerville

High - Centerville High School

Oregon

Beaverton

Middle - Summa Academy South

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh

Middle - Carson Middle School

High - Pittsburgh Taylor Allderdice High School

Puerto Rico

Caguas

High - Colegio Catolico Notre Dame High School

South Carolina

Roebuck

High - Paul Dorman High School

South Dakota

Aberdeen

High - Aberdeen Central High School

Tennessee

Oak Ridge

High - Oak Ridge High School

Texas

Amarillo

Middle - St. Andrew's Episcopal School

High - Randall High School

Austin

Middle - Austin Area Homeschoolers

High - Austin Area Homeschoolers

Brownsville

Middle - Harmony Science Academy

Dallas

High - Science and Engineering Magnet

Mercedes

High - Science Academy of South Texas

San Antonio

Middle - Katherine Stinson Middle School

High - Saint Mary's Hall School

U.S. Virgin Islands

Kingshill

High - St. Croix Educational Complex

Vermont

Woodstock

Middle - Woodstock Union Middle School

Virginia

Alexandria

High - Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

Herndon

Middle - Northern Virginia Homeschoolers

Washington

Pullman

Middle - Lincoln Middle School, Pullman

Richland

High - Hanford High School

Vancouver

High - Mountain View High School

West Virginia

Beckley

High - Woodrow Wilson High School

Wyoming

Gillette

High - Campbell County High School