

2020 NEBRASKA SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

CELEBRATING OUR 33rd TOURNAMENT! FIRST COACHES MEMO: September, 2019

**Date of Nebraska Science Olympiad Tournament: Saturday, April 18, 2020**

Location: East Campus, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

*Tentative Schedule of Events*: *Registration 7:15 a.m.-8:00 a.m.*

*Opening Ceremony 8:00 a.m.-8:20 a.m.*

*Impound 8:20 a.m.-8:50 a.m.*

*Competition: 8:55 a.m.-3:30 p.m.*

*Awards Ceremony 5:00 p.m. (approximately)*

**RULES INFO**: The rules will be delivered electronically. You will need to open a free account at [http://store.soinc.org](http://store.soinc.org/) to access the rules. Registration with the national and state are still required for access to tournaments. Rules will be available after Labor Day.

**National Science Olympiad and Nebraska Membership Fees:**

Teams must be national members to use the new rules and participate in regional and state tournaments. The national fee is $60.00. Nebraska Science Olympiad has a membership fee of $25.00. The total fee is $85.00 for the first team from a school. A first team is defined as the main competition team from one school in one of the two divisions (B division middle school- C division high school). If a school wishes to enter two teams at a regional tournament in one of the divisions, they will need to register a second team with the state for the cost of the national membership fee, $60.00. You will need to send a separate registration form for each team.

**How to register:**

Please send your registration and fee to:

Nebraska Academy of Sciences

c/o Michelle Lopez

302 Morrill Hall

14th & U Streets

Lincoln, 68588-0339

The registration form may be found on the Science Olympiad website and also is attached to this email. <https://neacadsci.org/ScienceOlympiad>.

2020 SCIENCE OLYMPIAD EVENTS

DIVISION B DIVISION C

Anatomy & Physiology Heredity Anatomy & Physiology Fossils

Boomilever Machines S&C Astronomy Geologic Mapping

Circuit Lab Meteorology Boomilever Gravity Vehicle

Crime Busters Mission Possible Chem Lab Machines- S&C

Density Lab Mousetrap Vehicle Circuit Lab Ornithology

Disease Detectives Ornithology Code Busters Ping Pong Para

Dynamic Planet Ping Pong Para Designer Genes Protein Modeling

EL Glider Reach Stars Detector Building Sounds of Music

Experimental Design Road Scholar Disease Detectives Water Quality

Food Science Water Quality Dynamic Planet Wright Stuff

Fossils Write It Do It Experimental Design Write It Do It

Game On Forensics

**Points and Awards at the Nebraska State Tournament**: 1st thru 6th place medals will be awarded for each event. 1st thru 6th place trophies will be awarded to the Division B and C school teams. Point totals will be calculated as follows:

1st place = 11 points down to 10 places = 2 points. A participation point will be given for 11th place and higher to encourage training, involvement, and preparation. Trial Events are not part of the team scores but medals will be awarded. Medals will be awarded to the top six (6) teams or the top half of the competitors (e.g., 8 teams competing, 4 places are awarded).

**Competition Team Composition at the Nebraska State Tournament**: Each school may enter up to 15 students from the same school per division for their competition team. Students must be supervised by a teacher/coach. No teacher/coach may supervise more than one team. A maximum of five (5) 9th graders are allowed on Division B teams. Division C teams may have a maximum of seven (7) seniors. Competitors must be students of the membership school. Middle schools may invite five (5) of their last year’s eighth grade students to be part of a team.

**Nebraska State Competition**: A team/school may have only one entry in each event. Teams may enter as many or as few events as they wish. An individual student may be entered in a maximum of four (4) competition events (this limit does not include trial events).

**Alternates**: Alternate competitors may only compete in trial events at the state competition. Trial events will be announced later. Rules for the trial events will be posted in the state web site at <https://neacadsci.org/ScienceOlympiad>.

**Nebraska State Tournament Fee**: The state tournament fee will be announced at a later date and teams will bring their fees to registration the morning of April 18. Checks must be made payable to the **NEBRASKA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**.

**Nebraska State Registration Deadline: April 14, 2020**

Online registration for the state tournament will begin in March, 2020, and end on April 16th. Any roster changes after April 16 will be handled by completing drop/add/change forms during registration from 7:45 a.m.-8:15 a.m. on April 18th at tournament headquarters. Coaches of registered teams will receive information about the tournament and registration via email.

**Regional and Invitational Tournaments**: The following dates are subject to change and participation may be limited by the hosts. Be sure to check the Science Olympiad web site at <https://neacadsci.org/ScienceOlympiad> for further information and updates.

Hastings Patriot Invite: ESU#9: Friday, February 21, 2020

Kristen Slechta: [kristen.slechta@esu9.us](mailto:kristen.slechta@esu9.us)

Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo: TBD

Julie Anderson: [outreach@omahazoo.com](mailto:outreach@omahazoo.com)

Basic information will be posted on the Zoo web site:

Kearney: ESU#10: Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Dianah Steinbrink: [dianah.steinbrink@esu10.org](mailto:dianah.steinbrink@esu10.org)

Bellevue Middle School Invite: Saturday, March 28, 2020

Norma Thompson: [norma.thompson@bpsne.net](mailto:norma.thompson@bpsne.net)

Ogallala: ESU#16: Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Tyler Cronin: [tcronin@esusixteen.org](mailto:tcronin@esusixteen.org)

**Regional Tournament Fees**: To be determined by each tournament.

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<https://neacadsci.org/ScienceOlympiad>

Nebraska Science Olympiad email address: [nescienceolympiad@gmail.com](mailto:nescienceolympiad@gmail.com)

**For Science Olympiad Updates visit:**

National Site: [www.soinc.org](http://www.soinc.org): Teams will find study information, rules clarifications, and updates at this site.

**Nebraska Science Olympiad is sponsored by:**

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ESU 9

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ESU 16

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