2017 Science Olympiad National Tournament Prizes & Awards

Special Prizes to be presented during the Awards Ceremonies: (as of 5/8/17)

Science Olympiad Spirit Awards (Divisions B and C): The Science Olympiad Spirit Awards are among the highest honors given to teams, and recognize students and coaches that have a positive attitude, exemplify teamwork, have respect for the rules and their fellow competitors, and exhibit sportsmanlike conduct. One Division B team and Division C team each will be presented with $2,000 checks to be used toward furthering the school’s Science Olympiad program. Sponsored by Lockheed Martin.

Coaching Excellence Awards (Divisions B and C): Two middle school and two high school coaches will be selected from a pool of eligible applicants to receive expenses-paid trips to the Science Olympiad Summer Institute in Phoenix, Arizona, on July 17-21, 2017 at the Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort. (Valued at $2,000 each; registration, hotel, workshops and meals covered; travel voucher included.) Eligibility forms will be in each coach registration packet (head faculty coach only). Sponsored by Lockheed Martin.

DuPont Team Enterprise Award (Divisions B and C): 33-year Science Olympiad partner DuPont will present this annual trophy for the best overall performance by a team (outside of the Top 10) that had not attended the previous year’s National Tournament. This award will recognize a breakthrough performance by a team exhibiting the hard work required to not only make it to the national competition, but to succeed at a high level. PJ Simon will announce the winners at the Awards Ceremonies on behalf of DuPont. Sponsored by DuPont.

Wright State University Scholarships for Gold Medal Winners (Division B & C): Winners of the Science Olympiad will be offered scholarships to Wright State University. All official members of the first-place team in Division B and Division C will receive a $2,500 scholarship, renewable for four years. In both divisions, the university will also award $1,000 scholarships to the first-place winners of each individual event, also renewable for four years. All awards are subject to admission requirements.

ACE Hardware and Hardware Science: Will conduct “Search for the Next Hardware Science Star” live video auditions on Friday, May 19 in the Student Union. One student winner and a guardian will receive an expenses-paid trip to Chicago in late August 2017 to star in a Hardware Science video and $500 for their Science Olympiad team. Five other winners will receive $250 each for their Science Olympiad teams. Bose Speaker systems for all!

Ward’s Science: Will provide six $500 gift certificates (one each) to the top three winning teams (1st, 2nd and 3rd place overall) in each Division B and C at the 2017 Science Olympiad National Tournament. Sponsored by Ward’s Science, official kit partner of Science Olympiad.

Individual Event Awards:

Anatomy & Physiology (Division C): Each student on the winning Anatomy & Physiology team PLUS one teacher/coach will be awarded an expenses-paid trip (includes travel, lodging, meals and registration) to Neuroscience 2017, the industry's top gathering of neuroscience professionals in Washington, DC, November 11-15, 2017. The two students and a coach will be treated to special sessions and meetings with mentors. National Event Supervisor Patty Palmietto will present the winning team with a crystal trophy and prize package. Sponsored by the Society for Neuroscience, National Event Sponsor for Anatomy & Physiology.

Chem Lab (Division C): The winning students and coach for Chem Lab will be presented with a voucher for a $1,000 Texas Instruments Data Collection Prize Package on stage which includes: 5 TI-Nspire CX Handhelds (2 for the students), 1 TI-Nspire Lab Cradle, 1 CBR2 Motion Detector, 1 light sensor, 1 voltage sensor and 1 temperature sensor. Sponsored by Texas Instruments.
**Disease Detectives (Division C only):** Each student on the winning Disease Detectives team PLUS TWO teachers/coaches will receive an expenses-paid (airfare, lodging and per diem) trip to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia. (Date TBD) Dianna Carroll of the CDC will give the award on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control, National Event Sponsor for Disease Detectives.

**Electric Vehicle (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Electric Vehicle team will receive a $1,500 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. A Lockheed Martin representative will give this award on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by Lockheed Martin, National Event Sponsor for Electric Vehicle.

**Forensics (Division C):** The winning students and coach for Forensics will be presented with a voucher for a $1,000 Texas Instruments Data Collection Prize Package on stage which includes: 5 TI-Nspire CX Handhelds (2 for the students), 1 TI-Nspire Lab Cradle, 1 CBR2 Motion Detector, 1 light sensor, 1 voltage sensor and 1 temperature sensor. Sponsored by Texas Instruments.

**Helicopters (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Helicopters team will receive a $500 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Tom Sanders from the Academy of Model Aeronautics will give this award on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by the Academy of Model Aeronautics, National Event Sponsor for Helicopters.

**Invasive Species (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Invasive Species team will receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Franklin Allaire, National Event Supervisor, will award the prize on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by Orkin.

**Meteorology (Division B only):** The winning students and up to two (2) teachers or coaches will be invited to their local National Weather Service Forecast Office to meet with the staff, and receive a facility tour. The winning team will also receive a prize package containing NOAA resources to be shipped to their school. Jeannine Montgomery of the NOAA Office of Education will award the prize on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by NOAA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

**Microbe Mission (Division B only):** The winning students and coach for Microbe Mission will be presented with a voucher for a $1,000 Texas Instruments Data Collection Prize Package which includes: 5 TI-Nspire CX Handhelds (2 for the students), 1 TI-Nspire Lab Cradle, 1 CBR2 Motion Detector, 1 light sensor, 1 voltage sensor and 1 temperature sensor. Sponsored by Texas Instruments.

**Microbe Mission (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Microbe Mission team will receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. PJ Simon of DuPont will award the prize on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by DuPont and DuPont Pioneer.

**Remote Sensing (Division C):** Each winning team member will receive a prize package containing NOAA resources to be shipped to their school. Sponsored by NOAA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

**Robot Arm (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Robot Arm team will receive a $1,500 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. A Lockheed Martin representative will give this award on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by Lockheed Martin, National Event Sponsor for Robot Arm.
Rocks & Minerals (Division C): Each of the two students on the winning Rocks & Minerals team will receive the $2,000 Mark Van Hecke Memorial Scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Karen Lancour and Bonnie Van Hecke will present this award on stage at the closing ceremony. Sponsored by Science Olympiad, Inc.

Towers (Division C only): Each of the two students on the winning Towers team will receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Presented by David Sena of ArcelorMittal, National Event Sponsor for Towers.

MAKE Magazine will give one-year subscriptions valued at $80/each to the gold medal winners in the following events: Division B – Bottle Rocket, Experimental Design, Hovercraft, Mission Possible, Scrambler, Towers, Write It Do It. Division C – Experimental Design, Electric Vehicle, Helicopters, Hovercraft, Robot Arm, Towers, Write It Do It. Letters or a digital sign-up will be sent to coaches via email after the tournament that will allow students to redeem the subscriptions.

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