2023 Science Olympiad National Tournament Prizes & Awards (as of 4/12/23)

Special Prizes Awarded Before the National Tournament:

Science Olympiad Founders’ Scholarship (Division C only): To celebrate the three founders of Science Olympiad, Dr. Gerard and Sharon Putz and Jack Cairns, Science Olympiad will provide five (5) outstanding student participants each with a one-time, non-renewable **$10,000** college scholarship to the college of their choice. This award is available only to SENIORS who are varsity members of registered 2022-2023 Division C Science Olympiad teams. Information and the application found here > soinc.org/programs/scholarships. Winners will be notified prior to the National Tournament. Sponsored by the Science Olympiad USA Foundation.

Coaching Excellence Awards (Divisions B and C): Three (3) middle school (Division B) and three (3) high school (Division C) coaches will be selected to win access to the Science Olympiad Summer Institute and Virtual Bootcamp. One coach in each division will receive in-person workshop registration for the Science Olympiad Summer Institute at Northern Illinois University, Naperville (valued at $950); two in each division will win virtual access (valued at $399). In-person Science Olympiad Summer Institute (SOSI) July 26-28, 2023; Virtual Bootcamp, July 17-20, 2023. Nominate a coach or nominate yourself to receive this award here! Must be school faculty and coaching a registered team. Winners announced online in May. Sponsored by Science Olympiad.

Special Prizes Awarded at the National Tournament:

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 (1) Division B team and one (1) Division C team qualifying for the 2023 National Tournament each will be presented with **$2,000** checks to be used toward furthering the school’s Science Olympiad program. Teams will be chosen by their work exhibiting the 3C’s of Science Olympiad during the academic year (Character and Citizenship in the Community) and their conduct at the 2023 Science Olympiad National Tournament. Teams, coaches and state directors are encouraged to tag their social media posts with the hashtag #SO2023WSU to highlight special teams. Checks will be presented on stage at the National Tournament Awards Ceremony. Sponsored by the Science Olympiad USA Foundation.

Corteva Team Enterprise Award (Divisions B and C): 35-year Science Olympiad partner Corteva Agriscience (a division of DuPont) will present this trophy for the best overall performance by a team (outside of the Top 10) that had not attended/participated in 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. Announced at the National Tournament Awards Ceremony. Sponsored by Corteva Agriscience.

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 2023 Science Olympiad National Tournament. Certificates will be presented to the head coach on stage. Sponsored by Ward’s Science, official kit partner of Science Olympiad.

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Individual Event Awards Presented at the National Tournament:

Bridge (Division C only): Each of the two students on the winning Bridge team will receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by Cleveland-Cliffs, National Structural Engineering Event Sponsor for Bridge.

Chem Lab (Division C): The winning students and coach for Chem Lab will be presented with a voucher for a $1,250 Texas Instruments Data Collection Prize Package on which includes: 5 TI-Nspire CX II Graphing Calculators, 5 TI-Innovator Hubs, 5 TI Grove Temperature Sensors. Sponsored by Texas Instruments.

Detector Building (Division C): The winning students and coach for Detector Building will be presented with a voucher for a $1,250 Texas Instruments Data Collection Prize Package on which includes: 5 TI-Nspire CX II Graphing Calculators, 5 TI-Innovator Hubs, 5 TI Grove Temperature Sensors. Sponsored by Texas Instruments.

Disease Detectives (Division C): CDC would like to extend an all-expenses paid* invitation for the Disease Detectives C winners and their coach for three days to attend a portion of the 2024 CDC Epidemic Intelligence Conference (tentatively scheduled for April 15–18, 2024) and a tour of CDC Headquarters. Throughout the trip, students and their coach will listen in on sessions focused on today’s leading-edge investigations, scientific findings, and forward-thinking strategies to inform improvements in public health; meet with CDC leaders, who may include the CDC Director and the Epidemic Intelligence Service Chief, and a variety of experts from across the agency; and tour CDC facilities, which may include CDC’s laboratory BSL-3 and BSL-4 training facility, the emergency operations center, and museum. -- *CDC will provide round trip domestic airfare, per diem, and reimbursement for a hotel stay at the government rate, transportation to/from airports, and local transportation from the hotel, conference venue, and CDC headquarters. Sponsored by CDC, National Event Sponsor for Disease Detectives.

Dynamic Planet (Division B and C): Each winning team member will receive a prize package containing an Amazon gift card and NOAA resources to be shipped to their school. Sponsored by NOAA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Flight (Division C): Each of the two students on the winning Flight team will receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by the National Free Flight Society, National Event Sponsor for Flight.

Forensics (Division C): The winning students and coach for Forensics will be presented with a voucher for a $1,250 Texas Instruments Data Collection Prize Package on which includes: 5 TI-Nspire CX II Graphing Calculators, 5 TI-Innovator Hubs, 5 TI Grove Temperature Sensors. Sponsored by Texas Instruments.

Green Generation (Division C): Each of the two students on the winning Green Generation team will receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by Corteva Agriscience.

It’s About Time (Division C): Each of the two students on the winning It’s About Time team will receive a $1,000 Charlie Gosselin Memorial scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by the Science Olympiad USA Foundation from Memorial Donations honoring National Event Supervisor Charlie Gosselin of Missouri Science Olympiad.
**Meteorology (Division B):** Each winning team member will receive a prize package containing an Amazon gift card and NOAA resources to be shipped to their school. Sponsored by NOAA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

**Scrambler (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Scrambler team will receive a $1,000 Dennis Papesh Memorial scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by the Science Olympiad USA Foundation from Memorial Donations honoring National Event Supervisor Dennis Papesh of Ohio Science Olympiad.

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