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 2023-2024 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 Workshop 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 $975); two in each division will win virtual access (valued at $450). In-person Science Olympiad Summer Build Clinic (SOSI) July 17-19, 2024; Virtual Bootcamp, July 8-11, 2024. 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 2024 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 2024 Science Olympiad National Tournament. Teams, coaches and state directors are encouraged to tag their social media posts with the hashtag #SO2024MSU 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): 36-year Science Olympiad partner Corteva Agriscience 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.

Midnight Science Club: Steve Jacobs (Wizard IV) from Faraday Studios and Midnight Science Club will conduct “Search for the Next Science Star” live video auditions on Friday, May 24 during the STEM Expo. Three winners will be chosen on the spot! They will each receive a $1,000 scholarship PLUS will be cast as on-air hosts for Midnight Science Club's Faraday 200 program series; to be aired globally via the United Nations SDG initiative. Winners will also receive $500 for their Science Olympiad teams.

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**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 2024 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.

**Molymod:** This provider of dual-scale molecular and atomic models will provide 32 randomly drawn Div. C teams at the National Tournament with a Molecular Model Set for Organic & Inorganic Chemistry! Kits will be included as a surprise in the Coaches Registration packets at MSU!

**Individual Event Awards Presented at the National Tournament:**

**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 for three days to attend a portion of the 2025 CDC Epidemic Intelligence Conference (tentatively scheduled for April 21–24, 2025) and a tour of CDC Headquarters. Throughout the trip, students 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.

**Ecology (Division C):** Each of the two students on the winning Ecology team will receive a **$2,000** scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school, to honor the 40th Anniversary Season of Science Olympiad. Sponsored by Corteva Agriscience.

**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.

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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.

Forestry (Division B/C): Each of the two students on the first, second and third place Forestry teams will receive a 4-year tuition scholarship to major in Forestry at Michigan State University: For each student member of the team, both divisions: 1st Place: $5,000 x 4 years, $20K total; 2nd Place: $2,500 x 4 years, $10K total; 3rd Place: $1,000 x 4 years, $4K total. Scholarship recipients must major in Forestry and will participate in the Forests Forever Scholars program. Sponsored by the Michigan State University Department of Forestry.

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.

Robot Tour (Division C): Each of the two students on the winning Robot Tour team will receive a **$1,000** Conen Morgan Memorial Scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by the Science Olympiad USA Foundation to honor the memory of alumnus and National Event Supervisor Conen Morgan of North Carolina Science Olympiad.

Tower (Division C only): Each of the two students on the winning Tower 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 Tower.

Wind Power (Division C): Each of the two students on the winning Wind Power team will receive a **$1,000** scholarship to the college of their choice, redeemable upon graduation from high school. Sponsored by ADM Cares Foundation.

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