

OREGON SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

November/December 2023 Update

Thanks for being part of Science Olympiad! Here are some things you can do to prepare for the State of Oregon Science Olympiad Tournament. If you have questions about any of these things, please let me know at ashley.dasilva@lebanon.k12.or.us

Check for Updates About the Event Rules.	Register Your Team (if you haven't yet!)	Consider an Invitational.
There are rules clarifications available for several events posted online on https://soinc.org/events/rules-clarifications These correct the published event rules, https://www.soinc.org/rules-2024 During Winter Break, I'll be posting event specifications online. These will include the specific event format (such as stations, written test, etc.) for knowledge events and the sign-up times for engineering events.	Students participate in Science Olympiad by team. Each team will need either a school-based coach or team liaison to stay informed. We have some tips available at <u>https://oregonscienceolympiad.org/start-a-team/</u> . The B Division is for middle school students and the C Division is for high school students. You can register a team online at <u>https://oregonscienceolympiad.org/register-with-oso/</u> After registration, there are different payment options you can use.	Teams that are registered in Oregon and have paid their fees can participate in a variety of invitationals for practice. Many of these invitationals are virtual online, so require no travel arrangements. Each has their own registration and contact information, but our national organization collects links at https://soinc.org/play/invitationals
Attend the December 6th College Entrance Workshop. Our national organization is hosting a webinar/workshop about college admissions. A former admissions official from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will talk about how students can leverage their Science Olympiad experience. Online link: https://soinc.org/join/workshops	Preview our Schedule. Our State Tournament this year will be on Saturday, March 16th, at University of Portland. We have a draft schedule for you to preview. Event locations may change in February depending on the number of teams registered. Please note the later start time for the entire tournament. Online link: https://oregonscienceolympiad.org/schedule/	Find Extra Resources from our National Organization! Online link: https://www.soinc.org/myso Every month, MySO offers lesson plans, practice tests, and note-taking resources. There are also mid-month workshops with real scientists and engineers. You can see some of them from last year, many of which are relevant for repeating events.