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Your Team Is Heading to Washington, D.C.

113 Middle and High School Teams to Compete in the National Science Bowl

Washington, DC -- A school from your area is among the 44 middle and 69 high school teams coming to Washington, D.C., to compete in the Department of Energy's National Science Bowl, which runs from Friday, April 27, to Monday, April 30. Since January, nearly 14,000 students have competed in regional tournaments in which teams of four or five students were tested on a range of science-related topics, including biology, chemistry, earth science, physics, astronomy and math.

"Congratulations to the finalists of our 22nd annual Science Bowl, who represent some of America's most promising future leaders in science, technology, engineering and math. We look forward to seeing them showcase their knowledge during the final competitions here in Washington, D.C.," said Energy Secretary Steven Chu. "Through the National Science Bowl, we're fulfilling President Obama's mission to challenge the next generation to forge new advances in science and math and ensure that America stays competitive in a rapidly advancing world."

During the national competition, the teams will participate in fast-paced, *Jeopardy*-style academic matches answering science and math questions. Double elimination matches will follow round robin tournaments. The middle school teams will also race battery-powered electric cars they have designed and built, while the high school teams will solve hands-on science problems. The students will also attend the USA Science and Engineering Festival to hear from a range of national speakers and see various exhibits on discovery and innovation.

The final competitions of the top two middle school teams and top four high school teams will be webcast live on Monday morning, April 30 at <http://science.energy.gov/nsb/>. Secretary Chu will be a science judge at Monday's championship matches and host a question and answer session with the students before his remarks at the awards ceremony. The championship high school team will win a trip to Alaska to study marine and avian biology, glaciers and geology. The top eight middle school teams in the double elimination rounds will each receive \$1,000 for their school's science department and a National Science Bowl plaque.

The Energy Department created the National Science Bowl in 1991 to encourage students to excel in mathematics and science and to pursue careers in these fields. It is now the nation's largest science competition, with more than 200,000 students participating throughout its 22 year history.

Each team is composed of four students, one alternate student, and a coach. The full list of teams is below. The names of the teams' students and coaches, as well as student biographical information, are available at: <http://science.energy.gov/nsb/news-media/>. During the competition, photos of the teams and B-roll footage of the events will be posted to the same web site.

All events are open to the press. All teams will be available for interviews throughout the competition. Reporters interested in requesting interviews (including by phone) or photos should contact the Energy Department press office at (202) 586-4940 or the Science Bowl press room at (301) 961-2854 or national.science.bowl@doe.gov during the competition.

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The 2012 National Science Bowl middle school and high school finalists are:

Alabama

Auburn

Auburn High School

Spanish Fort

Spanish Fort Middle School

Arizona

Phoenix

Brophy College Preparatory (HS)

Scottsdale

BASIS Scottsdale (MS)

Arkansas

Fort Smith

Trinity Junior High School

Little Rock

Little Rock Central High School

California

Bakersfield

Stockdale High School

Bonita

Boyz to Menz Mentoring Group (MS)

Chico

Chico High School

Fremont

Hopkins Junior High School

Irvington High School

Fresno

Edison Computech 7-8 (MS)

Irvine

Woodbridge High School

La Jolla

La Jolla High School

Lodi

Tokay High School

Los Angeles

Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies (MS)

Moraga

Campolindo High School

North Hollywood

North Hollywood High School

Sacramento

Mira Loma High School

San Jose

The Harker School (MS)

Lynbrook High School

Colorado**Fort Collins**

Ridgeview Classical Schools (HS)

Greenwood Village

Cherry Creek High School

Connecticut**New Haven**

Hopkins School

District of Columbia**Washington**

Washington Latin Public Charter School (MS)

Woodrow Wilson High School

Florida**Gainesville**

Abraham Lincoln Middle School

Miami

Miami Palmetto Senior High School

Weston

Cypress Bay High School

Georgia**Decatur**

Renfroe Middle School

Evans

Lakeside High School

Marietta

Walton High School

Hawaii

Honolulu

Iolani School

Idaho

Boise

Treasure Valley Math and Science Center – (HS)

Treasure Valley Math and Science Center – (MS)

Meridian

Cole Valley Christian School (HS)

Illinois

Aurora

Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (HS)

Chicago

Hurley Elementary School

Evanston

Evanston Township High School

Lincolnshire

Daniel Wright Middle School

Indiana

Carmel

Creekside Middle School

West Lafayette

Harrison High School

Iowa

Cedar Rapids

Home Schools of Eastern Iowa (MS)

West Des Moines

Valley High School

Kansas

Overland Park

Blue Valley West High School

Kentucky

Louisville

duPont Manual High School

Murray

Calloway County Middle School

Paducah

Lone Oak High School

Louisiana

Natchitoches

Louisiana School for Math, Science and Arts (HS)

Maine

Cape Elizabeth

Cape Elizabeth High School

Maryland

Silver Spring

Montgomery Blair High School

Takoma Park Middle School

Massachusetts

Lexington

Lexington High School

Michigan

Saginaw

Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy – (HS)

Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy – (MS)

Minnesota

Excelsior

Minnetonka Middle School West

St. Paul

St. Paul Central High School

Mississippi

Columbus

Mississippi School for Math and Science (HS)

Tupelo

Tupelo Middle School

Missouri

Kansas City

Barstow School (HS)

Montana

Glasgow

Glasgow Middle School

Helena

Helena High School

Nebraska

Lincoln

Lincoln East High School

Omaha

Alice Buffett Magnet Middle School

Nevada**Las Vegas**

Advanced Technologies Academy (HS)

Faith Lutheran Junior High School

New York**Buffalo**

Kaleidoscope Competitions (HS)

Clarence

Clarence Middle School

Commack

Commack Middle School

Delmar

Bethlehem Central High School

East Setauket

Ward Melville High School

Farmingdale

Farmingdale State College High School STEP

New York City

The Dalton School (MS)

Hunter College High School

Niskayuna

Van Antwerp Middle School

Scarsdale

Scarsdale High School

New Jersey**Princeton**

Princeton High School

Princeton Junction

Thomas Grover Middle School

New Mexico**Albuquerque**

Albuquerque Academy (MS)

Los Alamos

Los Alamos High School

North Carolina**Charlotte**

Victory Christian Center Middle School

Durham

North Carolina School for Science and Mathematics (HS)

North Dakota

Grand Forks

Red River High School

Oklahoma

Edmond

Santa Fe High School

Oologah

Oologah Middle School

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh

Ingomar Middle School

Wexford

North Allegheny Senior High School

Puerto Rico

Caguas

Colegio Catolico Notre Dame (HS)

South Dakota

Aberdeen

Aberdeen Central High School

Tennessee

Knoxville

Bearden High School

Maryville

Blount Home Education Association (MS)

Texas

Amarillo

Amarillo High School

Austin

Liberal Arts and Science Academy (HS)

Canyon

Canyon Junior High School

El Paso

Valle Verde Early College High School

Helotes

Sandra Day O'Connor High School

Los Fresnos

Resaca Middle School

Mercedes

Science Academy of South Texas (HS)

Missouri City

Quail Valley Middle School Academy for the Gifted and Talented

San Antonio

Hector P. Garcia Middle School

Virgin Islands

Kingshill

St. Croix Educational Complex High School

Virginia

Alexandria

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

Falls Church

Longfellow Middle School

Washington

Bellevue

Seattle Science Infinity Club (MS)

Pullman

Pullman High School

Richland

Hanford High School

Vancouver

Mountain View High School

Shahala Middle School

West Virginia

Morgantown

Morgantown High School

Suncrest Middle School

Wisconsin

Madison

Madison Metropolitan School District (MS)

Marshfield

Marshfield High School

Wyoming

Casper

Kelly Walsh High School

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