



**Code Of Conduct & Academic Honesty**  
**New York State Science Olympiad, Inc.**

Student participants are expected to compete in tournament events with an honest effort to follow the rules and the spirit of that competition. The goal of competition is to give one's best effort while displaying honesty, integrity, and sportsmanship.

Students, coaches, parents, and guests are expected to display courtesy and respect toward Olympiad officials, other teams, and guests of the Olympiad.

Failure to show honesty and/or courtesy by a participant, coach, or guest of the team may result in the disqualification of the team from that event, the entire tournament, or future tournaments.

Any individual (coach, parent or student) who cheats during the competition will be penalized by disqualification of the team from that event.

If cheating occurs by a team in more than one event, or in successive years, the team may be barred that year, the following year, or a fixed set of years, from competing.

If an event team, or team member, or anyone associated with the team, deliberately takes an action that impairs the ability of other teams to fairly compete, that team will be disqualified from the event. In addition, the event team member(s) involved in the incident may be barred from future Science Olympiad competitions.

"Disqualification" results in a score two places greater than the number of teams competing in the tournament. These penalties supersede any of those prescribed in specific event rules.

Team coaches are asked to discuss this procedure with team members, other coaches, parents, and administrators. A signature from the head coach acknowledging this procedure, its consequences, and the sharing of this information will be required in the registration packet.

**Science Olympiad Pledge**

I pledge to put forth my best effort in the Science Olympiad and to uphold the principles of honest competition.



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**Tournament Signature Form**  
**New York State Science Olympiad, Inc.**

Team Number: \_\_\_\_\_ School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the National Science Olympiad Tournament Code Of Conduct and Pledge. I understand that failure to follow the Code of Conduct or rules established by the Tournament Director may result in penalty and/or disqualification.

**STUDENT SIGNATURES**

**COACH SIGNATURES**

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**All Signatures Must Be In Script**

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