



**Science Olympiad Information Night**  
**9/4/2014**  
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**Thanks for coming!**

# What is Science Olympiad?

- Regional Science competition held on first Saturday in February, Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 2015
- 23 events
- 1 team of 15 students participate in 23 events
- Each school can send up to 6 teams
- $15 * 6 \text{ teams} = 90$  students get to participate!
- About 100 teams from 35 other San Diego schools competing
- Top 7 schools move on to State Competition
- Top school at State moves to Nationals!

# Regional Competition Awards

- 20 places awarded for each event
- 11 to 20 places get a ribbon
- 1 to 10 places get a medal
- Top 7 teams with the highest points advance to State (top team of each school considered)
- Our Goal for this year is to be in the TOP 5!

# OVMS Science Olympiad Budget

- \$60 Registration fee per student
- Pays for Event Registration for school teams
- Pays for supplies and materials required by coaches
- OVMS Science Olympiad T-shirts
- Trophies and Awards ceremonies
- The fee is tax deductible
- Companies like Qualcomm make match the donation. Fundraising by requesting your company to donate would be appreciated!
- Donate money to Science Department as they help store materials and help with lab equipment

# Communication amongst us

- Google Parent Interest group – make sure you are signed up: [ovms-so-2014-15-parents-list@googlegroups.com](mailto:ovms-so-2014-15-parents-list@googlegroups.com)
- Coaches will create groups and send email to parents!
- [www.gaikwad.weebly.com](http://www.gaikwad.weebly.com) will have all the latest announcements/timelines/forms

# Science Olympiad Coaches and Volunteers

- Recruited already 39 out of 46 coaches for 23 events
- These are all very busy working professionals passionate to teach kids!!!
- Exciting news: OVMS Science teachers will be helping us!!!
- 5 Volunteers went to Pasadena to gather information for OVMS!
- We have volunteers to help book the rooms in OVMS, schedule meetings
- Avanti is our treasurer helping with money!
- Volunteers will help with food on day of competition!
- They say, “it takes a village to raise a child” – Well this competition will require the OVMS parent community to be successful!!! Please help with your time!!!
- OVMS is helping us with Level 2 clearance for all coaches and bookings of rooms for the classes
- Looking for experts in the field of events!!!

# 2014-15 Events (shows schedule conflicts)

8 – 8.50am	9- 9.50am	10-10.50am	11-11.50
Anatomy	Can't Judge a Powder	Bio-Process Lab	Crime Busters
Picture This	Fossils	Entomology	Meteorology
Dynamic Planet	Solar System	Road Scholar	

1 – 1.50pm	2- 2.50pm	Open: 8 am – 4pm	Open: 8 am – 4pm
Disease Detectives	Crave the Wave	Elastic Launched Glider	Air Trajectory
Simple Machines	Green Generation	Wheeled Vehicle	Bridge Building
Experimental Design	Write it Do it	Bottle Rocket	Robo Cross

# Event Counts (Total Kids Interested: 143)

<u>Event</u>	<u>Interested kids</u>	<u>students who compete</u>
anatomy	53	12
Crime busters	44	12
disease detectives	42	12
Write it Do it	32	12
Can't judge a powder	31	12
Bridge building	27	12
robo cross	26	12
picture this	25	12
Wheeled vehicle	22	12
bio process	22	12
trajectory	22	12
bottle rocket	21	12
green generation	18	12
Elastic Launched Glider	16	12
Meterology	14	12
simple machines	14	12
dynmic planet	13	12
Experimental Design	12	12
road scholar	11	12
crave the wave	11	12
fossils	11	12
entomology	11	12



**90 Kids in 6  
teams**





# Team Selection

- **6 teams with 15 students in each team**
- Each event will have 12 students and 3 alternates chosen to compete
- **Total Students chosen: 90 event participants**
- Decision is made based on
- Placements in last year's competition
- Coaches' recommendations based on student performance in the class Quizzes and Tests and class participation
- **Head Coach's decision is final!!!!**

# Event Selection

- 1 Team of 15 students
- 15 students need to participate in all 23 events
- Therefore each student needs to participate at least 3 events to make sure all 23 events are represented
- During registration, choose up to 5 events even if conflicting as based on event popularity (like Anatomy), you might not be selected for that event (coach will not be teaching 53 students knowing only 12 go to competition – tests conducted to eliminate)

# Science Olympiad Resources

- Main Site: <http://www.soinc.org/>
- SO CA: <http://www.socalstatescioly.org/>
- San Diego: <http://www.sandiegoso.org/>
- Events: [http://soinc.org/2015 div b events](http://soinc.org/2015_div_b_events)
- Scioly: <http://scioly.org/>
- Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/>
- OVMS SO main website: <http://gaikwad.weebly.com/>
- DRAFT RULES MOST IMPORTANT TO FOLLOW!:  
<http://gaikwad.weebly.com/ovms-scioly-2015-documents-and-file-uploads.html>

# Science Olympiad Event Registration

- I will be sending an email opening up registration to all students: <http://gaikwad.weebly.com/ovms-science-olympiad-event-registration.html>
- You will be asked to give top 5 events as your preference
- Event assignments made and emailed
- Final 6 Teams formed based on tests, competitions and participation in class. Head Coach's decisions are final
- Coach schedule published online in coaches' google doc

# Coaches Information and Schedule

- Coaches' information and schedule:  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ySnC4heBNzZsEVbocWW-irtTbV\\_DDb2nN34xk2GTTc8/edit#gid=574888837](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ySnC4heBNzZsEVbocWW-irtTbV_DDb2nN34xk2GTTc8/edit#gid=574888837)

# Important Dates and Deadlines

- Registration opens: 9/5/14
- Registration closes: 9/7/14
- Coaching Starts: 9/8/14
- 6 Teams finalized in October
- Regional Competition on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 2015

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Q & A