

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2007

FROM: MR. TODD APPLE, STATE MATH CHAMPIONSHIP DIRECTOR

ConocoPhillips and Blaine School District will be hosting the Washington State Math Championship in Blaine on Saturday, April 19, 2008. The contest is open to teams in grades 5-8. We are accepting a limit of 450 teams. **You may register as many teams as you wish at this time.** Registrations will be accepted on a first come - first serve basis.

TEAM INFORMATION: The Math Championship is open to public and/or private schools. A team consists of four students from the same grade. If necessary, a student from a lower grade may be moved up (i.e. a 5th grader may be on a 6th grade team), but no older students may compete on a younger team.

RULES:

1. Each team will take all five team-type tests for their grade level, submitting one answer sheet. A sixth test will be an individual test consisting of 30 problems. The first 10 questions of the individual test will be used toward the team test results. The top 3 scores will be counted. Students will compete against students in their own grade level.
2. The Mental Math test is given orally. It is taken without the aid of paper, pencil, or any type of outside assistance. Each team member answers 5 questions. If there are only 3 on a team, one member will be allowed to take the extra set. *If there are only 2 members, there is a penalty in that 1 set of 5 questions will be left unanswered.* No calculators may be used on Mental Math.
3. Students may bring Foreign Language Dictionaries to use as needed to understand the language, not to do the math.
4. Calculators (except TI-92, or those with QWERTY keyboards) will be allowed on all tests except Mental Math. No PDA's (Personal Digital Assistants) or cell phones with math capabilities will be allowed.
5. There will be no alternates, substitutes, or extras on a team during the test day.

AWARDS:

1. Awards for first through fifteenth place teams at each grade level.
2. Awards for the top 10 scores at each grade level on the individual test.
3. Lapel pins for every participant.
4. Certificates of Participation for each student.

- FEES:** 1. THE COST of registration is **\$45.00 per team** (includes juice and a snack). Make checks payable to Blaine School District. Please **do not send purchase orders**.
2. T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS: We offer a choice of T-Shirts or sweatshirts for sale. T-Shirts will sell for \$10.00 and sweatshirts for \$20.00. **Sweatshirts are available only on a pre-sale basis. XXL and XXXL T-Shirts are also only available on a pre-sale basis.** All may be ordered on the enclosed registration form.

LUNCH OPTIONS:

- A. Bring sack lunch.
- B. Buy lunch from available concessions.
- C. A list of local fast food restaurants and other restaurants will be sent along with the Confirmation Letter in February.

PLEASE NOTE: Please share this information with all coaches involved in your program. If you are no longer involved with your school's program, please pass this information on to the new chairperson. All schools should keep photocopies of all Math Championship information to serve as a reference if needed.

Send all completed registration forms (**a separate sheet of paper for each team registered**) and payment to the address found at the bottom of the registration form by January 18, 2008. You will receive a confirmation packet by mid February containing:

- Confirmation of team numbers
- Confirmation of T-shirt/Sweatshirt orders
- Order form for additional T-shirts/S-shirts
- Lunch information
- Hotel information
- Contest Schedule

Questions? Please try Gail Wildermuth first at (360) 332-0363, Thursday or Friday mornings between 9:00 and 11:00, (after Christmas she will be here full time), or Todd Apple at (360) 332-0409, Monday through Friday. Your call will be returned promptly, if you leave a message. You may also contact us by e-mail. Gail at gwildermuth@blaine.k12.wa.us and Todd at tapple@blaine.k12.wa.us. Also, there is some information, past tests and registration forms available on our web site at www.blaine.wednet.edu. (Scroll down to District Programs.)

Sincerely,

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