

2012 Rustin Science Olympiad Invitational

The Rustin Science Olympiad team will conduct a Science Olympiad Invitational on **Saturday, January 21, 2012** at the **Bayard Rustin High School in West Chester, PA**. This Invitational is a great way for new coaches to get a little experience in some events prior to competing in the Regional competition, and for experienced coaches to get their students motivated in events prior to the Regional competitions. The goal of an invitational is not only to allow students a chance to compete in a competition similar to Regionals but also to give students and coaches ideas and resources to prepare for the Regional competition. The competition will be set up with 50-minute testing periods and 10 minute breaks between events. Each team will be assigned a specific time for events similar to regionals, states and nationals. Most events that require signing up for a time will be done online prior to the competition. We hope that this will allow teams more flexibility and will relieve some anxiety teams may have regarding scheduling teams.

We hope to run all events for B division the day of the Invitational. We ask that each participating TEAM run one event. You will need to bring with you **30 copies of the test** you designed for the event as well as **one additional copy of the test with answer keys** for each of the coaches' packets. You will also be responsible for any additional personnel needed to run the event. We will try to have additional people to help you with your event if needed but this cannot be guaranteed. Also, you should bring personnel to supervise your team/students while you are running your event. If you have a preference as to which event you would like to run, please indicate that on your registration form. Events will be assigned at the beginning of December. If you are a new team/coach, please contact me with any concerns about running an event.

The registration fee this year's Invitational will be \$100 for the first team and \$80 for an additional team. The fee will cover medals, ribbons, team awards, and facilities. Registration will be limited to the first thirty teams. Spaces will be reserved as payment is received. No purchase orders can be accepted. Teams will receive a copy of each test along with answer key after the awards ceremony. Medals will be given to the first 3 places, ribbons for places 4 through 6. Team awards will be given to the top six schools.

Rustin is located about 45 minutes west of Philadelphia. We will have a large concession stand complete with numerous breakfast and lunch items. Additionally we will have pizza this year. For insurance reasons we cannot have teams bringing in devices to heat their own food. Please understand that our team does run this competition as a fundraiser and your purchases at our concession stand make this event possible.

If you are interested in overnight hotel accommodations, please contact me.

This will be an opportunity to let your students practice in a safe, friendly environment, get any help needed, and swap information with other students and coaches. If you are interested in attending, please fill out the attached form and send it along with your registration fee to:

*Jaime Suarez
Bayard Rustin High School Science Olympiad
1100 Shiloh Road
West Chester, PA 19382
484-266-4300
jsuarez@wcasd.net*

After your registration has been received, confirmation will be e-mailed to you.

Registration Form

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1. Coach's Name _____
(Please give the name of the coach to whom you would like materials sent.)
2. Home Phone _____ School Phone _____
3. E-mail address _____
4. School Name _____
5. School Address

6. Number of B division teams you will be bringing. _____
7. Is this your first invitational? Yes _____ No _____ Are you a new coach? Yes _____ No _____
8. We are currently members of Science Olympiad Yes _____ No _____
(All participating Teams must have registered with Science Olympiad)
9. Please list the event(s) you would be willing to run – in order of preference. **Please list at least three.** We will do our best to put people where they want to be; however, it is not always possible to give you your first choice. Obviously, some events are more popular than others. **Even if you are a new coach and have never attended an invitational before, please indicate which event you feel most comfortable with because you will be expected to run an event.** If possible, we will try to match you up with a more experienced coach in running an event – so that you can work together and learn as you go. Coaches bringing more than one team will be expected to run more than one event or provide someone who will be responsible for running those events. Remember that you are expected to bring copies of the exams; not only for competitors, but also for each team to take home. You must provide other coaches with answer sheets also.

1. _____ 4. _____
2. _____ 5. _____
3. _____ 6. _____
10. Would you like to have a Home Base classroom assigned for your school? Yes _____ No _____
A Home Base classroom is a room that only your school would use to store equipment and organize your team. You must provide adult supervision for this room at all times. If you cannot or do not wish to have a home base, your team will either be set up in the cafeteria, gym, or auditorium.
11. Do you have any specific concerns that we need to be aware of such as a handicapped student who will need access to the elevator, etc.?

**Please send this registration form along with payment for each team made out to
"Rustin Science Olympiad" to:**

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(We are sorry but we cannot accept purchase orders.)

Registrations will be taken on a first-come/first-serve basis.

Registration Deadline is December 1, 2011.

Registration will close earlier if we meet the quota of teams before the deadline.