Does your school do SCIENCE OLYMPIAD?

If you answer YES to two or more of the following questions, we invite you to start a SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM in your school!

- ➤ Would you like to see growth in student interest in **STEM** education?
- ➤ Are you looking for a program for students who have enthusiasm for **STEM** fields?
- ➤ Would you like to participate in a program aligned with the Michigan Science Standards (which are based on Next Generation Science Standards)? www.soinc.org/align_natl_stand
- ➤ Do you wish to increase recognition for those students?
- ➤ Would you like to increase student achievement and community involvement in **STEM** education?
- ➤ Do you teach or work with students in grades 6-12?

\$500 scholarships are available to support schools interested in starting a NEW team in Region 12. Applications are due by November 1st. For more information and to apply online, please visit www.gvsu.edu/msor12/scholarship.







Science Olympiad (SO) is an academic, interscholastic competition designed to increase interest and achievement in STEM education and is one of the premiere science competitions in the nation providing rigorous, standards-based challenges to over 7,800 teams in 50 states.

More information can be found on the National Science Olympiad website at www.soinc.org .





MICHIGAN SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

Who can participate in Science Olympiad (SO)?

Michigan Science Olympiad (MSO) is divided into 14 regions. Hosted by the Regional Math and Science Center at Grand Valley State University, all secondary schools within Region 12 (Kent, Muskegon, and Ottawa counties) are invited to participate. Region 12 offers two divisions of SO:

- ➤ Division B grades 6-9
- ➤ Division C grades 9-12

Teams for both divisions consist of 15 students (see team guidelines on the National SO website www.soinc.org).

What should each school do to participate in the SO tournament?

- 1) Select a coach: This can be a teacher, parent, or community leader.
- 2) Choose your team members.
- 3) Join the Michigan Science Olympiad with an annual fee of \$235 www.miscioly.org/ (this includes the National fee).
 - Registration deadline for Michigan SO is December 13, 2019.
- 4) Register for the Region 12 Tournament held at GVSU. The team registration fee is \$50.
 - Region 12 team registration opens January 2020 www.gvsu.edu/msor12



Support & Resources

- Region 12 coaches meeting hosted by the Regional Math and Science Center at GVSU Wednesday, December 11, 2019. Register online @ www.gvsu.edu/msor12/coach
- Michigan Science Olympiad website, visit <u>miscioly.org</u> for additional information on coach training opportunities and student invitationals.
- Michigan Science Olympiad annual Coaches Workshop (Lansing, MI) December 7, 2019. Register online miscioly.org/workshops/
- Region 12 Tournament website, www.gvsu.edu/msor12 . For additional information contact Chelsea Ridge, ridgec@gvsu.edu, 616-331-3172.