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Science Olympiad 25-26 Season Has Begun

What's New?

- **New Invitational Tournament!**
 - We are excited to announce that ESU #3 will host its first-ever Invitational Tournament this year! More details will be shared soon.
 - A big thank you to ESU #10 and ESU #16 for their continued commitment to Science Olympiad and for hosting Invitationals again this season.

- **New Coach/Team Recruitment Continues**
 - Our Leadership Committee set a SMART goal to increase the number of Nebraska teams (91 last season) by 7%—that's seven new teams this year.
 - So far, we've heard from six potential new teams—almost there!
- **Coaches Clinic**
 - Nebraska's first annual Coaches Clinic will be held on **October 25th** at the UNO STEM TRAIL Center for both new and experienced coaches.
 - We currently have 9 volunteers to staff this event.
- **Events we will attend to promote Science Olympiad in Nebraska**
 - Teacher Festival - Omaha Children's Museum, Sept 19
 - Teachers' Night - The Durham Museum, Oct 3
 - NATS Fall Conference - Oct 16 – 18
 - And possibly a couple ESU events throughout the state.

If you know anyone that might be interested in coaching a middle school or high school Science Olympiad team, please send them this document with more information and contact info. Both teachers and parents can coach a school team.

Science Olympiad Coach Recruitment Document

How Do We Compare?

Nebraska had 91 Science Olympiad teams last year across middle and high schools. While this is proportionally comparable to many other states, it represents only about 12% of our secondary schools. We see tremendous potential to grow and inspire even more young innovators across Nebraska.



They need to update the online map if you noticed. They missed one of our important teams!

How Can You Help?

- **Coach a Team** – Coaches can be teachers or parents from the school.
- **Volunteer to Assist a Team** – Help supervise students under the guidance of a coach at team practice and on tournament days.
- **Sponsor a Team** – Support by covering membership fees, tournament costs, materials, team shirts, transportation, or lodging.
- **Share Your Expertise** – Review our [events](#) and see where your knowledge can inspire and guide young scientists.
- **Help at Invitational Tournaments** – Volunteer to support local competitions.
- **Volunteer at the State Tournament** – Assist by running an event or helping an event supervisor. We truly couldn't do this without our volunteers!

- **Become a Sponsor** – Partner with us to grow Nebraska's STEM talent.
Contact the director (details below) to learn more.

Make an Impact Today!



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