



Newsletter October 2025

Supporting Coaches and Growing Teams

New Science Olympiad Coaches Clinic

We're excited to host our **first Science Olympiad Coaches Clinic** at the **STEM TRAIL Center on October 25!** This event is open to both **new and experienced coaches** and will feature **eight sessions**, each offering **three choices** so participants can tailor their experience.

All sessions will be led by **experienced coaches and directors** who are generously volunteering their time and expertise to help others strengthen their programs.

For more information or to register, visit: [Coaches Clinic Registration](#)

New Science Olympiad Teams

The Leadership Committee has set a goal of recruiting **seven new teams** for the 2025–2026 season. We're thrilled to share that interest has already exceeded expectations—at **least 13 schools** have proposed forming new teams this year!

If you're considering starting a team or know someone who might be, visit the [**Nebraska Science Olympiad website**](#) or go directly to our [**New Coach Recruitment**](#) page. Or if you know someone that would make a great coach, please pass the Recruitment Flyer to them found below. (Parents can coach too!)

Science Olympiad Coach Recruitment Flyer

New Mentoring Program

We know that becoming a new Science Olympiad coach can feel a little overwhelming at first. That's why we're excited to introduce our new **Mentoring Program**, designed to make the first year smoother and more enjoyable for our new coaches.

Each new coach will be asked if they would like to be matched with an experienced coach who can answer questions, share resources, and provide advice along the way. Our goal is to create a welcoming network of support so every coach—new or experienced—feels confident and connected.

Interested in joining as a **mentor or mentee**? Reach out and we'll help you get started! (No longer a coach? Maybe consider being a mentor.)

What's Not New? *That one thing!*

That's what all the guidance counselors and campus tour guides tell students to find. That one thing. A place where you feel like you can be yourself, exercise your unique talents, and find friends who excel in science too.

That's Science Olympiad!



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 Local 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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