

National Mathematics Pentathlon® Tournaments

Registration Guidelines & Information



**AN OVERVIEW OF
Registration Options
School and Club Responsibilities**

**School Contact Designee
can NOW view and
download their school
registration information!**

www.mathpentath.org

Registration Options

Online Registration by Parent

Parent registers and pays for child online. School Contact gets a PIN (see next panel).

The following is mailed to National Headquarters:

- ★ Game Supervisor List (1 adult per 2 students)
- ★ Game Leader Application Form
(1 Leader per 20 students)
- ★ π -NT Form & Accounting Form
(National Team competition only)

REGISTRATION BY COACH

School Contact is sent a formal registration spreadsheet to enter student data.

The following is mailed to National Headquarters:

- ★ Coach Registration Request Form
- ★ Accounting Form
- ★ Game Supervisor List (1 adult per 2 students)
- ★ Game Leader Application Form
(1 Leader per 20 students)
- ★ π -NT Form (National Team competition only)

Mailed Paper Registrations

Parent completes paper registrations. School Contact collects and reviews forms for completeness.

The following is mailed to National Headquarters:

- ★ Cover Sheet Checklist
- ★ Collated Registration Forms
- ★ Accounting Form and checks
- ★ Game Supervisor List (1 adult per 2 students)
- ★ Game Leader Application Form
(1 Leader per 20 students)
- ★ π -NT Form (National Team competition only)

**REGULAR REGISTRATION
DEADLINE - February 22**

School Contact UN & PW

The School Contact, designated by the school principal, may request an NMPAT Username & Password which gives access to their school online registrations data base. This feature provides instant information to schools, improves the quality of the Game Monitor pool, and lessens the number of errors regarding Pentathlete information. Go online to find out how your school can gain access at www.mathpentath.org/



Mathematics Pentathlon's ACADEMIC TOURNAMENTS

For over 30 years National Mathematics Pentathlon Academic Tournaments have required students to balance problem solving and strategic thinking with a legalistic structure of precise rules and procedures. The development of strategic problem solving and the spirit of cooperative competition should be a major consideration in sending students to competition. The Pentathlon Institute encourages adults to help students compete to the best of their abilities, displaying good sportsmanship and respect for others. One of the many ways to promote cooperative competition is to have students shake hands before each game and wish each other good luck as well as to shake hands after each game and offer congratulations on a well-played game.

Game Monitors

Volunteers are a critical component of Math Pentathlon Academic Tournaments. Each school, club or household is required to send a minimum of 1 adult volunteer for every 2 Pentathletes.

Parents, teachers, adult family members, or community volunteers can serve as game Game Monitors at the tournament. A Game Monitors needs to know one game well and be trained to conduct proper tournament procedures.

Attendance at a Volunteers Officials Session (VOS) is to ensure that each adult volunteer is prepared for this role. Refer to the Calendar Tab on the Mathematics Pentathlon website (www.mathpentath.org) for dates and details of WINTER VOSs in the various Tournament Centers.

Each Coach is expected to recruit Game Monitors to meet the 1 adult per 2 student quota. The Coach should have an equal distribution of Game Monitors across the 5 games within each division. Regardless of the method used for registering Pentathletes, the Coach needs to complete and return the Volunteer List form by the March 1 deadline. This will allow Pentathlon Institute staff to determine any gaps and communicate additional volunteer needs to participating schools.

After March 1, all Supervisor and Game Leader assignments must be cleared through the Pentathlon Institute.

National Headquarters 317-356-6284

Game Leaders

Game Leaders should be identified by March 1

Each school, club, or household sending more than 15 students must provide at least 1 Game Leader for each Division in which their students compete. Game Leader responsibilities include:

- ★ a thorough knowledge of their one game (both the basic and tournament-specific rules)
- ★ response to questions from Game Monitors and Pentathletes during the tournament
- ★ contact with Game Monitors prior to the tournament to answer questions and ensure they are trained and ready to handle their game assignment
- ★ assistance with tournament set up in the afternoon/early evening on the Friday before tournament. A Game Leader Orientation meeting is held at the same time so attendance is mandatory.
- ★ assistance with the awards ceremony

The role of Game Leader is not for everyone. However, this rewarding opportunity allows an adult who works well with others and has previous tournament experience to be more involved. Also, each Game Leader may send 1 student to a tournament at no charge.

A Game Leader Application Form must be completed. All prospective Game Leaders will be reviewed and selected by the Pentathlon Institute staff. The Game Leader Application Form can be found in the Coaches Section of the website.

National Teams (NT)

The Pentathlon Institute has an official National Team (NT) recognition for groups meeting specified criteria. For your school or club to qualify as NT each of the following criteria must be met.

- ★ Exactly 30 students MUST represent the Team.
- ★ The team must be composed of students from exactly 5 grade levels.
- ★ Each grade level must be equally represented with 3 girls and 3 boys.

Schools, clubs and households may send additional students beyond those designated as NT members. Please refer to the NT form on the website.

ALL Pentathletes, whether members of a NT or individual participants, are recognized for their individual efforts at the Mathematics Pentathlon Tournament Awards Ceremony.

NT awards are in addition to individual awards and are distributed within two weeks of the final tournament of the year. **Each National Center awards NTs with a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd Place Team Trophy or an Honorable Mention Ribbons based on cumulative scores of the identified team members.** A special National Team Trophy is awarded to the highest scoring team of all Tournament Centers.

School Contact Designee Username & Password - Works ONLY if Pentathletes register online.

View and download a copy of your school's Pentathlete and Game Monitor information.

ONLY those who have completed the Primary School Contact Designee Form will be assigned a UN & PW.

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