

Washington Science Olympiad (WSO) Registration – 2018-19

Our registration process has changed to provide more payment options and flexibility in contacting coaches/teams and providing Science Olympiad information.

As of 9/28/18, our new team management registration system went online. See <https://statescioly.org/wa>

An email was sent to 2017-18 coaches outlining the registration process. Here is substance of that msg that would apply to any/all new schools/teams wishing to register for the 2018-19 Science Olympiad Season. If you have any questions, please let me know.

To register via our new online registration system, please log onto the Team Management System web site (<https://statescioly.org/wa>). There may be a few items that aren't yet finalized, but I think it's good enough to go. I realize that some coaches have passed on the baton to a new team coach. I will do my best to contact those who I know of ... but hope you will forward this msg as appropriate.

This system automates many of the processes I did manually and provides a LOT of options that - most likely - I won't use for state registration; but that regional, state (and invitational) tournament directors have the option of adopting and using for event sign-up, scoring & other features. So you may be using this system for every tournament you participate in. Hopefully it will be an easy process to navigate. But if you have any issues, please let me know and I'll address. I will also let you know as any info/features are updated.

Besides all the features, one reason the WSO Board adopted this program/web site is that it accepts credit card payments. One reason we never accepted credit card payments before was that to set up any account that accepts credit cards would cut into WSO revenue ... so only options were to raise registration fees for all teams, absorb the decreased revenue, or - in this case - pass on credit card fee to those who wish to pay by credit card (which is what this registration system uses). Schools can still submit a PO (however, please alert your business office that the former fax # is no longer in service - so PO should be emailed to statedirector@washingtonscienceolympiad.com or snail-mailed to 15112 W 3rd Addition Rd., Cheney, WA 99004) - OR - a check (made payable to "Washington Science Olympiad") can be mailed to the above address.

Once your PO or payment (whether check or paid via credit card on the web site thru PayPal) is received, a registration confirmation will be sent indicating your team #. As with last year, no rotation will initially be assigned ... and especially this year (where at least one tournament - NW-C is running X-Y-Z rotations), it may be that you'll need to wait to hear from your tournament director regarding final schedule and rotation. The WSO Unified Schedule is still being finalized, but will be posted to the WSO web site by 5PM Monday, 10/1.

To register (and even for schools that completed a temporary registration form to get the ball rolling for getting a PO), **go to:** <https://statescioly.org/wa> to register each team from your school.

You can access much of the generic info without creating an account, but only when you create an account can you register your school/teams. Once you register your school, click on "Update/Add Teams" to register each team.

If you see any issues with any web page (that doesn't seem to follow WSO info/policies), please let me know & I'll review. This is still a work in progress ... and I will send out notices to coaches as necessary.

Last reminder, at the summer Annual Meeting, the WSO board adopted a policy that initially (thru December 1) schools could ONLY register with the regional tournament in their geographic area. Only after that date (December 2) can teams possibly register for another regional tournament on a space-available basis. So even though the online registration process MAY allow you to register for a tournament outside your geographic location, I will be monitoring and contacting coaches to advise they need to switch locations if they initially register for a tournament outside of their geographic area.

Thanks for any help you can provide in letting me know what works (or doesn't work) in using this web site for WSO registration.

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