# What is the DOE **National Science Bowl®?**

Launched in 1991, the National Science Bowl (NSB) is a highly competitive science education and academic event among teams of high school and middle school students who compete in a fastpaced verbal forum to solve technical problems and answer questions in all branches of science and math. Regional and National events encourage student involvement in math and science activities of importance to the Department of Energy and the Nation.



# How Can I Get Involved?

Go to the NSB Website:

http://nationalsciencebowl.energy.gov to find the nearest regional event.

- Form a team of 4 to 5 students.
- Find a coach and register for a regional tournament.
- Study and practice answering the sample questions.
- Compete in a regional event.
- Regional winners will travel to the national competition.

## **Volunteers**

Science Bowl events depend on local volunteers of all ages and skill sets to serve as competition officials and run the events. If you are interested in sharing your love of science and math with students, use the contact information on the Website for your local area.

# **Thank You**

Thank you to all our sponsors who make the regional events possible and to the countless volunteers who share their dedication to advance the frontiers of science.

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> Science Bowl regional events are held across the country. Check the Website for the latest locations. http://nationalsciencebowl.energy.gov

# For Students

Science Bowl is a fun way to learn more about:

- Science and Math
- Teamwork
- Problem-solving
- Presentations
- Communication
- Hands-on skills

#### **For Teachers**

This is a proven way to get your students excited about studying a wide variety of science topics.

There are on-line resources for the verbal competitions, and middle school teachers are also provided with resources to construct a model car.

You can network with other teachers interested in improving the teaching of science.

### **Who Participates?**

Any current public, private, or home school is welcome to participate in a regional event. There are many science bowl locations — check the Website for up-todate information and event dates.

The high school science bowl is for current high school students.

The middle school science bowl is for current sixth through eighth grade students.

#### **Events & Prizes**

Each regional event has local prizes, ranging from trophies, to baseball games, to cash prizes and scholarships.

Regional science bowl championship teams receive an all-expense paid trip to compete at the National event in Washington, D.C. in April.

#### At the National Event

The National event includes several days of science activities, sightseeing, and competitions — it's a mini-conference and valuable experience. There are cutting-edge science seminars and hands-on science activities.

All National participants receive certificates and have the opportunity to win small prizes for activities. The teams who advance to the elimination rounds will earn a monetary prize for their school. Top teams also receive trophies and other awards. including science trips for the high school teams.

The National Science Bowl for Middle School Students includes two types of competitions — an academic math and science competition and a model car race. The model car race provides the students with a "hands-on" science and engineering experience where the teams design, build, and race their model cars.

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