INFORMATION SHEET Middle School Mathematics Contest APSU – April 10, 2025

ENROLLMENT OF SCHOOLS

Any school in this area with one or more sixth, seventh, or eighth grade classes is eligible to enter a team in the contest. Homeschooled students are also welcome. Each school desiring to enter a team should designate one person as the official Contest Supervisor to file the official School Enrollment Form and conduct all necessary correspondence with the Contest Director. Schools may <u>not</u> participate at more than one site around the state.

All students should be registered via the online enrollment form by Friday, March 21, 2025.

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

All schools may bring up to 5 students from each grade level, regardless of the size of the school. This means that the maximum number of students from each school will be 15. Because of limited seating space and limited computer resources for grading, we will not be able to accommodate alternates.

GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION AND SELECTION OF STUDENTS

- 1. Each test is intended to be taken by students at the grade level of the test. Students may test up, i.e., sixth graders may take the Grade 7 test, and so on.
- 2. Students may take a grade-level test exactly one time.
- 3. Eighth graders enrolled in Algebra I will be allowed to take the Grade 8 test even if they also compete in the TMTA Algebra I contest in the same year.
- 4. The method of selection and preparation of contestants is left to each individual school.
- 5. A fee of \$7.00 per contestant will be collected to cover the cost of conducting the contest.

PAYMENT OF FEES

Please make checks payable to <u>APSU Department of Mathematics and Statistics</u> and in the memo place "<u>APSU Math Contest</u>". Checks should be dated within three days of the contest date, April 10, 2025. Please submit only one payment for the school as a whole. We cannot accept purchase orders. Please note that no refunds will be given on the day of the contest.

TESTING AND GRADING PROCEDURE

All students should be seated by 9:20 AM. The test will start at approximately 9:30 AM. The test will be conducted as one continuous test of **60 minutes**. The test will consist of 30 problems or questions to which multiple-choice answers are given. No contestant will be allowed to bring any material other than a calculator into the testing room. Scratch paper and pencils will be provided.

The test will be scored using the formula 4R - W + 30 (4 times the number of correct answers minus the number of incorrect answers, plus 30 points). Students are urged not to guess. If they cannot work a problem or make an educated guess at the answer, they should omit it. Each contestant will be allowed to keep his or her exam copy.

AWARDS

Team awards at each grade level will be based on the total score of the four highest scores of students representing the school. The top ten individuals at each grade level will receive an award. The top individual at each grade level from each school will receive a lapel pin.

SHARE THIS INFORMATION

Please be sure to share the information in this mailing with other 6th, 7th, and 8th grade teachers in your school and other area schools. The frequency with which teachers change schools and teaching assignments makes it very difficult to keep our mailing list current. Thank you for your help and consideration.

PARKING FOR 2025

Please read the parking information below to avoid receiving a parking ticket.

Buses

From College Street, turn onto Drane Street and continue until you see the Memorial Health Building on your right. Buses may unload at the steps in front of the Memorial Health Building. After unloading, buses should continue straight on Drane Street and park at Pettus Park. Go to this link to view a **campus map** and a **parking map**. https://www.apsu.edu/map/index.php

Cars

As always, parking on campus is limited, and spaces may be hard to find. Every car must be registered with APSU Parking. Requesting a parking permit is a two-step process. First, click Parking Permit Request Form and enter your name and email. After you complete the form, the Department of Mathematics and Statistics will send your information to the APSU Parking Office. You will get an email from parking@apsu.edu with additional information and steps to complete to register your vehicle. The deadline to request a parking permit is March 28, 2025. Parallel parking on city streets does not require a permit unless APSU signage is posted. (Please note that parking on Drane Street directly in front of the Memorial Health Gym is reserved for faculty and you will be issued a ticket if you park there.)

CONTEST SCHEDULE for APRIL 10, 2025

8:00-9:15	Registration	Memorial Health Building Gymnasium
9:20-9:30	Welcome, Orientation (Students should be in their seats at 9:20)	Memorial Health Building Gymnasium
9:30-10:30	Contest for Registered Middle School students	Memorial Health Building Gymnasium
9:30-10:30	Waiting Room for Teachers and Invited Guests	Honors Commons in Memorial Health Building
10:30 – 1:30	Lunch on your own, campus tours, etc.	
1:30-2:00	Awards Program	Memorial Health Building Gymnasium

Teachers, upon arrival, please approach the registration tables with payment for your grade/school. You will be given registration instructions from that point. In order to create an optimal testing environment, students will be asked to remain seated until the testing window concludes. Teachers will be provided a space nearby to await their students. Teachers will be called back into the gymnasium to meet students before they are released.

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE at https://forms.gle/dSWRWHyAv5r9Dhcv6 by MARCH 21, 2025. Any questions? Please email: Dr. Marylu Dalton at: daltonm@apsu.edu

