

February 2025

Dear Mathematics Teacher:

The Department of Mathematics and Statistics of Austin Peay State University is pleased to announce that it will sponsor the Middle School Mathematics Contest on Thursday, April 10, 2025. The contest will be in person on the campus of APSU in the gymnasium of the Memorial Health Building.

The contest will include sixth grade, seventh grade, and eighth grade divisions. This mailing refers to all three divisions. If you no longer coach a team, please share this mailing with other teachers who may be interested in participating.

Each grade level may bring up to five students, 15 students total per school. When you register, you will need to have the first and last name of each of these students. The names you enter will be the exact names printed on the pre-made answer sheets and certificates of participation.

No calculators (or batteries) will be provided at the test site, but students are encouraged to bring and use their own. Students may use any calculator that does not have a QWERTY keyboard or Python capabilities. Students may bring extra batteries or a back-up calculator if they wish.

There will be 30 questions, and the scoring formula will be 4R - W + 30 (See the attached information for more about this formula.) Testing time will be 60 minutes.

An information sheet, campus map, and a contest schedule are also enclosed. Please read all documents carefully, as we have made a few changes from previous years. If your school intends to participate in the contest, please complete the registration form **no later than Friday, March 21, 2025**. We look forward to receiving your enrollment form. You will receive an automatic email reply after submitting your form. If you do not receive that email after 24 hours, please email daltonm@apsu.edu. By early April, you will receive another email directly from the contest coordinator at Austin Peay State University.

Please use our on-line registration form to register, which you can access directly: https://forms.gle/oJXuhPtKGv8PdH6x8

The contest webpage can be located at: https://www.apsu.edu/math-contests/middle-school-math-contest.php It holds the schedule and other details of the contest day as well as decades of previous tests and keys.

Directions: From College Street turn onto Drane Street and follow it past the dorms until you see Memorial Heath Building up on the hill to your right. Buses should unload here. After unloading, park buses at the overflow lot at Pettus Park at the end of Drane Street. A campus map is attached to this letter. Information about private vehicles and parking is included in the Information Sheet.

Registration is from 8:00 to 9:15 in the Memorial Health Building gymnasium. We encourage you try to arrive for registration as early as possible. If you anticipate arriving late, please note this on your registration form so that we may prepare for your arrival and still get the tests started on time.

Please plan ahead if your school's spring break falls within this timeframe.

The testing fee remains at \$7 per participant for 2025.

SPECIAL NOTE ON PAYMENTS:

In order to streamline the registration process, we ask that teachers collect the money in advance, and have a single payment ready on the morning of the contest. Please make checks payable to APSU Department of Mathematics and Statistics and in the memo place "APSU Math Contest".

We can only accept checks dated within 72 hours of the contest date, April 10, 2025. Please make a note of this and inform your school bookkeepers if needed to avoid having to request a new check. Cash payments will still be accepted as well. We cannot accept purchase orders.

After testing begins, one copy of each test will be available to each school at no charge.

We look forward to seeing you at the contest on April 10, 2025.

Sincerely,

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