



Dear <<First Name>>,

In October, we announced the official Chapter Competition will be held online, but some details were still being finalized. Below is some new, important information we are eager to share with you!

***What's the scoop on the official 2022 MATHCOUNTS Chapter Competition?***

**Date:** Thursday, February 17, 2022

**Format:** Online via the Art of Problem Solving (AoPS) Contest Platform. Competitors must login to their Student Portal at <https://artofproblemsolving.com/contests/mathcounts> to access the competition.

**When:** Students must start the competition **between 12pm ET and 8pm ET**. We are offering this window to allow coaches the flexibility to proctor the competition outside of or during usual school hours.

**Time Required:** Students should allow approximately 90 minutes to complete the competition (Sprint and Target Rounds) once they begin. Team competitors should plan for an additional 30 minutes.

**Proctoring Requirements:** All students are required to have a non-relative, adult proctor. Coaches, another teacher/administrator or unrelated adult may serve as a proctor. Proctoring should be in-person where possible, but virtual proctoring will be allowed. If students are unable to secure a non-relative, adult proctor, they may use the MATHCOUNTS-approved proctoring service, [MonitorEDU](#). (Check out the site in advance for details/cost.)

**IMPORTANT Warning:** Students should take the 2 practice competitions *under the same conditions* – the same laptop, location and Internet connection – they will be taking the official competition. This ensures students (1) know their login information for the AoPS portal, (2) are familiar with how the AoPS portal works, and (3) know their Internet connection/security restrictions work with the AoPS Contest Platform. *This is especially important when using school-provided Internet with tighter security settings.*

**Ideal Testing Situation:**

- (1) Your school's Mathletes experience the excitement of reaching the Chapter Competition by gathering together at school for the big event!
- (2) Each student takes the competition at the same time (obviously using their own device and working independently on the Sprint and Target Rounds) with the coach serving as the proctor.
- (3) An additional adult is in the room in case the coach/official proctor needs to step away or needs to focus on a technical issue with a student.
- (4) At the conclusion of everyone finishing the Sprint and Target Rounds, the four students on the team work together on the Team Round.
- (5) When finished, all the Mathletes' hard work throughout the season is celebrated!

***BONUS! BONUS!***

In addition to the official, online Chapter Competition, some volunteer chapter coordinators are hosting in-person BONUS competitions *where possible*. (These do not take the place of the official, online Chapter Competitions.) Coordinators who are planning to host a BONUS competition will reach out to coaches with details; you also can contact them with questions. [Your specific coordinator's information can be found online](#). Please support coordinators' efforts and give your students this in-person experience if it is provided!

### ***State and National Competitions***

State coordinators determine their advancement policies from Chapter to State. At a minimum, the top four scorers on the online Chapter Competition (Sprint + Target scores) from each chapter will advance to their State Competition. The State and National Competitions are still being planned as in-person events.

### ***We're looking forward to Competition Season!***

Answers to many other questions are [available on our FAQ page here](#). If you and your students have not already set up your accounts on the AoPS Contest Portal, please do so ASAP. We have step-by-step instructions for both [coach account creation](#) and [student account creation](#) to help guide you. Practice Competition #1 is already available! If you have any additional questions, please let us know. We will continue to stay in touch with coaches as the competition approaches.

--The MATHCOUNTS Team