

Girls in STEM



"I believe Science Olympiad is the **best cross-gender team-based STEM outreach program in the nation.** In practices and competitions, I see young girls develop courage and independence, realizing the power they have to solve problems and support their team equal to or better than their peers."

Enrica Quartini
National Event Supervisor
University of Texas Institute for Geophysics Researcher

Girls in STEM: By the Numbers

While women represent only 1 of every 4 STEM jobs, girls represent

50%

of Science Olympiad participants



On average

40%

of Science Olympiad National Tournament medalists are girls

WOMEN HOLD MORE THAN HALF of Science Olympiad's staff, board, advisory committee, state director and rules committee leadership positions



"You have all heard the statistics, that women are under-represented in STEM, especially in industries like engineering, with even fewer minority women pursuing STEM careers. But ever since Science Olympiad was founded, **we've been inspiring women to shatter the glass ceiling of STEM,** and to overturn those negative statistics."

Dr. Gerard Putz
Science Olympiad President and Co-Founder



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