

Greetings from the Idaho Science Olympiad (IDSO):

April 8th

We have a little less than two weeks before our competition at BSU on April 20th. From set-up to completion the Olympiad runs from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM, but the majority of the competition is completed by 3:00 PM. Many volunteers come for part of the day during the heavier periods from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Volunteers should go to the 2nd floor of the BSU Student Union Building (SUB). The registration desk at the top of the stairs will have printouts for the SUB and Campus maps and free parking information in the Lincoln Garage across the street from the SUB. This information can also be found on our website at:

www.idahoscioly.org click on the Event or Info Tabs to find the files.

Many of our volunteers will be designated as “Floaters”. Unless you have been assigned a specific event, you will be a “Floater”. When you arrive at BSU, come to the Berquist Room on the SUB 2nd floor. Have some refreshments, sign in, and wait to be assigned to an event or two. All volunteers should sign in and bring their own pen, calculator, and safety goggles. Each event is already staffed or written by an experienced Event Supervisor you will be following their lead.

All volunteers will need to read basic instructions, measure distances with a ruler and possibly read a digital scale (provided). If scoring an exam / quiz they will need to see if the answers on the competitors’ exam / quiz matches the RED answer on the provided KEY. If volunteers have children grades 4 and up, their children are welcome to accompany. The chemistry labs however, may be off-limits to children.

A continental breakfast and a box lunch will be provided to all volunteers in the Berquist Room. We cannot pay you what you are worth, but we will feed you.

If your BSU department / college, State or Federal Agency, or company has promotional literature about your efforts in STEM education or community involvement, you are welcome to bring it. IDSO will have several tables in the registration area for our volunteer organizations to either staff or have available their promotional materials.

Thank you for your support of STEM education in Idaho,
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