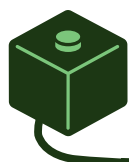


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Rosemont, IL

Program & Handbook



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# Message from the President

June 7th, 2025



On behalf of the Partnership for Academic Competition Excellence, I am thrilled to welcome you to the 2025 National Scholastic Championship! After a one-year detour in Reston, I am excited to return to the Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Rosemont, Illinois, a venue linked to so many quiz bowl memories throughout the years. The PACE Executive Board and committees have dedicated themselves to once again raising the bar for 2025 - whether you're finishing your high school quiz bowl career with a flourish or playing your first of hopefully many nationals to come, I hope you can make some quiz bowl memories of your own this weekend!

**Aidan Leahy**  
President, PACE

This year, 84 teams from 20 states and the District of Columbia have assembled to share in learning and competition. This is the largest field we've had since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, and PACE is accompanying this year's expansion with our most robust live setup ever and yet another slate of fantastic questions.

We wouldn't be able to run the NSC as efficiently as we do without the contributions of each and every one of our members, who have been working tirelessly to plan and organize this tournament and other PACE initiatives. I would also like to thank the dozens of hard-working staffers dedicating their time to make this tournament unforgettable. Take every opportunity to say hello and thank your staffers throughout the weekend!

While all of us - players, coaches, and staffers - are integral pieces to making the NSC whole, I'd like to shout out a few key players without whom this tournament would not be possible.

- Arthur Ramsay has done admirable work as our Tournament Director to make sure everything is going smoothly behind the scenes. His passion for delivering great quiz bowl events rivals only his passion for the discography of Taylor Swift.
- I have had the chance to work with Casey Bindas at tournaments in the Georgia circuit since 2019, and I could always rest easy knowing rounds he moderated would end on time. In his role as our Vice President of Event Management, I have been similarly blessed by Casey's consistent ability to make our run of show as frictionless as possible.
- Harry White and Ashish Kumbhardare have been a tag team of improvements as our Vice Presidents of Communication and Technology, respectively. The polished live product going out to audiences both at the tournament and at home exists in no small part due to their work ethic.

I'd also like to thank the rest of the PACE board - Will Grossman, Eva Wang, Mike Bentley, and Geoffrey Wu - for their valuable contributions and support. In my first year as PACE president, I was happy to have such an experienced and reliable team to lean on.

# Message from the President cont'd

June 7th, 2025

Since its founding in 1996, PACE has operated with the goal of making high school quizbowl a better and more inclusive place. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, PACE's mission extends beyond the NSC into broader outreach and quality-of-life initiatives all quiz bowl players can benefit from. This effort is reflected in this year's recipients of the Benjamin Cooper Academic Ambassador Award and Young Ambassador Award, an award honoring community members who go above and beyond to bring the activity we love to new heights. This year's Academic Ambassador Award is Andrew Nadig, whose maintenance of the Yellowfruit software has revolutionized the way quiz bowl tournaments manage tournament statistics. The Young Ambassador Award went to PACE's own Geoffrey Wu, who has made ample contributions to every aspect of interacting with and studying for the game online.

In closing, I'd like to restate my thanks to all of the people who support PACE. Whether you're a player, parent, coach, staffer, or just following along on our social media, you all contribute to making the NSC a positive and inclusive environment for celebrating knowledge. We are set to run our 27th outing of the NSC, and it is with your support that we can continue to make this event better and better every year.

Best of luck, and happy buzzing!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aidan Leahy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

**Aidan Leahy**  
President, Partnership for  
Academic Competition Excellence

# Health and Safety

## Code of Conduct, COVID-19 Policy

# NSC Code of Conduct

### **PURPOSE**

The Partnership for Academic Competition Excellence is dedicated to providing a safe and harassment-free tournament experience for everyone. To achieve this goal, we expect all tournament participants, including staff, players, coaches, parents, and other spectators, to abide by this Code of Conduct. We expect participants to follow these guidelines for the duration of the tournament, both during games and at all other tournament-related venues and events.

### **EXPECTED BEHAVIOR**

We expect all participants to treat other participants and the event space with respect and courtesy. Participants should be considerate of fellow participants' diverse backgrounds and perspectives. Participants should be mindful of fellow participants and their surroundings, and be proactive about reporting any potentially prohibited behavior or dangerous situations.

### **PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR**

We do not tolerate harassment of tournament participants in any form. Harassment can take place through many media, including but not limited to: verbal comments, printed or written messages, and electronic messages.

Harassment includes, *but is not limited to*:

- offensive comments related to race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, physical appearance, body size, or religion
- deliberate intimidation
- stalking
- following
- unwanted photography or recording
- sustained disruption of games or other tournament events
- inappropriate physical contact
- unwelcome sexual attention
- sexual imagery and language in public spaces

## CONSEQUENCES FOR PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR

If a participant engages in a prohibited behavior, the tournament director has discretion to take any action they deem appropriate, up to and including ejection from the tournament without refund. Consequences will be proportionate to the severity and frequency of the violation. If the prohibited behavior is in severe violation of the above list, PACE may prohibit attendance at future events. Tournament participants who are asked to stop any prohibited behavior are expected to comply immediately.

## REPORTING PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR

If you experience or notice prohibited behavior at the tournament, or have any other concerns, please contact one of our misconduct reporting advocates immediately. They can also be identified in person with red lanyards. The advocates will provide an anonymized report to the tournament organizers, who will determine what consequences (if any) are appropriate or if more information is required. The 2025 misconduct reporting advocates are:

**Sadie Britton (908.461.8137)**

In-Person Location: Room 936

**Ganon Evans (636.443.9934)**

In-Person Location: Paris (International Level)

**Aidan Leahy (678.739.5595)**

In-Person Location: Info Desk (Lobby Level)

### **There is also an online form that can be submitted to report misconduct.**

Representatives from four major quizbowl groups (PACE, NAQT, ACF, and Discord) examine misconduct reports and provide anonymized statements to their respective organizations. **However, if a report is submitted via the online form during the tournament weekend, it is unlikely that PACE will be able to take action before NSC concludes. If you are able, please call, text, or speak in person with one of the misconduct reporting advocates.**

Tournament staff will be happy to help participants contact hotel/venue security or local law enforcement, provide escorts, or otherwise assist those experiencing harassment to feel safe for the duration of the tournament.

**Report any misconduct during the NSC  
to the misconduct reporting advocates or to  
the online misconduct form.**

# COVID-19

## Tournament Health and Safety Policies

For the 2025 NSC, participants and attendees are not required to present proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Participants are not required to submit a negative COVID test to attend NSC.

Masks are strongly encouraged for all attendees who are at risk of severe COVID-19 outcomes. PACE recommends the use of well-fitted N95, KN95, or KF-94 masks for protection.

For questions regarding any details of this policy, contact [communications@pace-nsc.org](mailto:communications@pace-nsc.org).



# Tournament Information

- Communication Station
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  - Game Format
  - Tiebreak Procedures
  - Small School and JV Titles
  - Sponsors
  - 2026 NSC Announcement
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This year's NSC shirt is available for  
purchase wherever you are!

# Communication Station

Links to tournament websites and resources

Use the hashtags #pacensc and #nsc2025.

[2025 NSC Website](#)

[Live Coverage Central](#)

The most up-to-date information will be cross posted to the 2025 NSC website and Live Coverage Central on 24liveblog.

[PACE Bluesky](#)

Follow along with tournament highlights on Bluesky!

[PACE Instagram](#)

Check out pictures and videos and DM us with questions or if you need help.

[Misconduct Reporting Form](#)

Please report any behavior during or outside a match that may violate the NSC Code of Conduct.

[Live Stats](#)

Live statistics during the tournament

[Tournament Timetable](#)

Estimated timing of tournament events

# Tournament Format

At the 2025 PACE NSC, there will be four stages of play:

I) Preliminaries, II) Playoffs, III) Superplayoffs and Placements, IV) Finals

## Saturday

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### **Stage I (Preliminaries) - Saturday Morning**

Each team is assigned to one of 14 groups of 6 teams. Each team plays against the other teams in their group before a break for lunch after round 5. Each group will split into three tiers with the top two teams moving to Tier I, the middle two teams moving to Tier II, and the bottom two teams moving to Tier III. Between Stage I and Stage II, teams may be required to compete in tiebreaker gameplay if there is a tie in the group standings.

### **Stage II (Playoffs) - Saturday Afternoon**

Each team is reassigned to one of 12 groups of 7 teams (four groups in Tier I, four groups in Tier II, four groups in Tier III) based on their performance in Stage I. At this point, there are 28 teams left in contention for the title. Teams will play against each of the other six teams in their group across seven rounds. (Each team will have a bye at this phase of the tournament.) For Tier I: the top two teams in each bracket will move into the 1st-8th bracket, the third and fourth teams will move into the 9th- 16th bracket and the fifth and sixth will move into the 17th-24th bracket. The seventh place teams in Tier I will form their own 25th-28th group.

The split in Tier II and Tier III will work the same way as the 7th place team split in Tier I. The first-place teams will form their 29th-32nd bracket, second place teams will form 33-36th bracket, and so on.

Teams in Tier I may be required to compete in tiebreaker gameplay at this time.

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Play resumes for all teams on Sunday morning.

# Sunday

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## **Stage III (Superplayoffs and Placements) - Sunday Morning**

The top 24 teams will play 6 rounds in Stage III. All other teams will play 3 rounds. In the top 24, the round a team played during Stage II against an opponent in the same Stage III group will count for a team's Stage III record. At the beginning of this stage, 8 teams are in contention for the title.

## **Stage IV (Finals) - Sunday Afternoon**

Upon the completion of Stage III, if the top team in the top group is two or more games ahead of the second place team in the top group, they have won the title and no finals series will be played. If the top team in the top group is a single game ahead of the second place team in the top group, an advantaged final will be played. If the top two teams are tied on record, a single game final will be played to determine the NSC national champion.

# Game Rules

A game consists of 20 tossup-bonus cycles between two teams.

## Tossups

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Tossups are pyramidal questions designed to decrease in difficulty, as to reward players with greater knowledge. Players can buzz in at any time during or after the tossup. A player must begin giving an answer within 5 seconds of buzzing in. If no one has answered a tossup correctly within 5 seconds of its completion, the tossup goes dead and the next tossup is read.

A correct answer on a tossup is worth 20 points ("power") if the buzz is early in the tossup within a designated range of text; otherwise, it is worth 10 points.

An incorrect answer on a tossup receives no point deductions. However, the rest of that team is then locked out of answering that tossup.

## Bonuses

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After a team correctly answers a tossup, that team is awarded a 3-part bonus, with each bonus part worth 10 points. Bonuses can only be answered by that team ("the controlling team"). The controlling team will be prompted for an answer to each bonus part after 4 seconds, and must give their answer within 1 seconds after the moderator prompts the team for the answer.

If a bonus part goes unanswered by a team, the opposing team **does not** get the opportunity to answer (previously known as a "bounceback").

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A score check will be performed after 10 tossup-bonus cycles. Teams have the opportunity to make substitutions at this time.

In the event of a tie after regulation play (i.e., 20 tossup-bonus cycles), the teams will play one or more additional sudden-death tossups until the first change in score occurs, at which point the team with the higher score is immediately declared the winner.

# Tiebreak Procedures

At the 2025 PACE NSC, if teams in a group are tied in the standings at the end of a stage of play, their ranking will be determined by one of two procedures: Tiebreaker Matches or Points per Game (PPG).

## Breaking Ties in Standings

Ties in record between teams advancing to the same tier (e.g., 1st and 2nd place) are broken by points per game (PPG) within that phase of the tournament. For rebracketing between Stages I and II and Stages II and III, ties between teams potentially advancing to different tiers (after Stage I), or different groups within Tier I (after Stage II) (e.g., 2nd and 3rd place) will be broken with minimatches. Between Stages III and IV, ties in the championship group are resolved with full-packet matches.

To ensure fairness, points scored in overtime of any game will not be considered in calculating PPG when breaking ties.

**The procedures for resolving ties in standings across a variety of scenarios is detailed further on our website.**

## Minimatch Format

Minimatches are used for breaking ties in standings. All minimatches will follow standard PACE format (tossup/bonus with powers) with the following three changes:

1. The standard length is 10, rather than 20, tossup-bonus cycles.
2. If the minimatch is tied after cycle 10, it will proceed directly to sudden-death.
3. There is no halftime substitution opportunity; the only substitution opportunity is between cycle 10 and sudden-death if necessary.

[2025 Gameplay and Eligibility Rules](#)

# Small School and JV Titles

**PACE recognizes the top three Junior Varsity (JV) and Small School (SS) teams at the NSC.**

## Qualification

A Junior Varsity (JV) team is a team without any players in 11th or 12th grade.

A small school (SS) is a school with fewer than 700 students in 10th through 12th grades that is a public school and has a non-selective admission policy.

Magnet schools are not excluded based on the non-selective admission policy; schools from systems where every school is a specialized center and students may choose to attend any are eligible.



## Ranking

For each classification, if there is any eligible team in the top 24, the highest ranking eligible team will claim the title automatically. If there is no eligible team in the top 24, and the highest-ranked eligible team is eight or more places ahead of the next-ranked team, they will win the title.

Otherwise, there will be an advantaged final after lunch. Teams that are in contention for the top three positions in these classifications will be alerted Saturday evening or at the start of Round 13 where to go.

After Round 15, SS/JV teams that finish outside of the top 24 should send one team representative to the Info Desk to confirm whether they need to compete in SS/JV finals. If needed, SS/JV finals will occur during Rounds 17 and 18.

# Round Sponsorships

Without [donations](#), the NSC would not be possible.  
Thank you to our generous sponsors:

- Alumni of Fisher Catholic Quiz Bowl
- Mike Laudermitth
- Tejas Raje, Aseem Keyal, Benji Nguyen, and Chris Manners
- Jay Winter
- Peter Schmidt

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The 2026 NSC will take place on  
June 7-8 at the Hyatt Regency  
O'Hare Chicago in Rosemont, IL.



Please direct any questions regarding  
the 2025-2026 season to PACE's  
Director of Communications at  
[communications@pace-nsc.org](mailto:communications@pace-nsc.org).



# Awards and Events



- 2025 NSC Awards Ceremony
- Women in Quizbowl Social
- David Riley Conference
- Benjamin Cooper Academic Ambassador Awards

# Plaques and Awards Ceremony

All teams are invited to spectate the finals and awards ceremony after regulation gameplay concludes on Sunday at ~4:15 PM in Grand Ballroom D.



## Trophies

A teams will receive a trophy if they placed in the top 16 overall teams, or were in the top 3 JV or Small School teams.

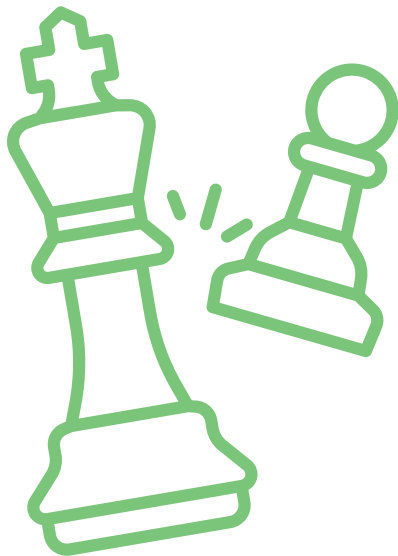
A short awards ceremony recognizing the top teams will take place upon the conclusion of the final round.

# Women in Quizbowl Social

Saturday, June 7, 2025, 6:30-9pm  
Hyatt Regency O'Hare  
LAX B

PACE invites all NSC players, staffers, and coaches **who identify as women, other marginalized gender identities, and/or have the lived experience of being a woman in quizbowl**, to join us for a drop-in social on Saturday evening.

Light refreshments will be served.



# David Riley Coaches Conference

Friday, June 6, 2025, 7-9pm  
Hyatt Regency O'Hare  
Florence

## 2025 Panelists

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Moderator: **Eva Wang** is PACE's Vice President of Outreach and an alum of the University of Missouri quizbowl team.

### Andrew Gao

Andrew is the captain of the Belmont High School (Belmont, MA) quizbowl team.

### Safiya Hasan

Safiya is a member of the Lindbergh High School (St. Louis, MO) quizbowl team.

### Aidan Leahy

Aidan is the President of PACE and an alum of the University of Georgia quizbowl team.

### Bern McCauley

Bern is the quizbowl coach at Great Valley High School (Malvern, PA) and a member of PACE.

### Reilly Melville

Reilly is a member of the Purdue University quizbowl team and an alum of the Chaska High School (Chaska, MN) quizbowl team.

### Caitlin Samuel

Caitlin is the quizbowl coach at Hunter College High School (New York, NY).

### Adam Silverman

Adam is an alum of the Centennial High School (Roswell, GA), Georgia Tech, and Northwestern University quizbowl teams and a former member of PACE.

### Forrest Weintraub

Forrest is an alum of the Columbia University quizbowl team.

## About David Riley

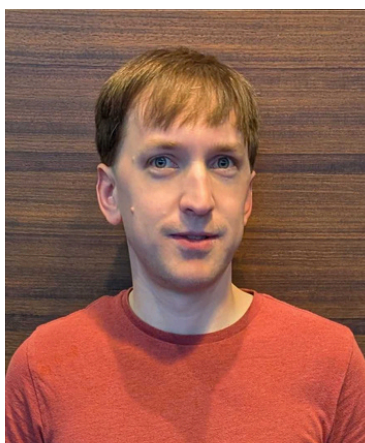
The conference is named in memory of David Riley, a longtime coach at Loyola Academy in Wilmette, IL who coached Team Illinois to represent the state at both the Panasonic Championship and NASAT. In addition to coaching, he was heavily involved in the Illinois High School Scholastic Bowl Coaches Association for many years, serving as president and on the steering committee.

Riley remained committed to quizbowl even as his health declined, serving as a member of PACE and volunteering at national tournaments until shortly before his passing in 2015. David left a substantial impact upon both quizbowl in Illinois and everyone he met, leaving very warm impressions on those with whom he interacted.

# Benjamin Cooper Awards

Recognizing individuals and organizations whose above-and-beyond contributions to the quizbowl community embody, by example, the ideals of academic competition.

The Benjamin Cooper Awards will be presented during the opening meeting on the morning of Saturday, June 7.



## Andrew Nadig

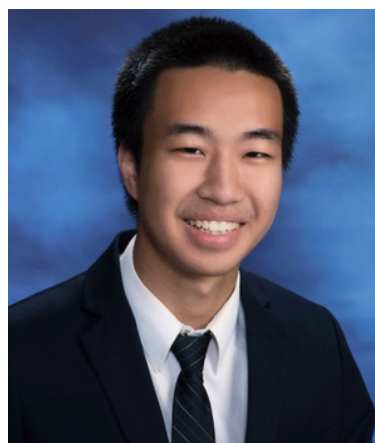
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PACE is proud to present the 2025 Benjamin Cooper Academic Ambassador Award to Andrew Nadig, the developer of quizbowl statistics software Yellowfruit. Yellowfruit has been an invaluable resource for tournament directors everywhere, with much improved UI, functionality, statistics tracking, ease of use, and ability to work with other quizbowl software.

## Geoffrey Wu

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PACE is proud to present the 2025 Benjamin Cooper Young Ambassador Award to Geoffrey Wu of Columbia University, for his development of question archive & digital practice site QBReader.



The Cooper Awards are named in honor of **Benjamin Cooper**, a student at Georgetown Day School who had been named captain of GDS's quizbowl team prior to his untimely death on August 12, 1997. The Academic Ambassador Award has been awarded every year since PACE's founding; the Young Ambassador Award has been presented since 2004.

# Directory

Quizbowl Resources

Participating Teams

Past NSC Champions



# Quizbowl Resources

Adapted with permission from Greater Pennsylvania Quiz Bowl

## Quizbowl Packet Archive

A free archive of tens of thousands of questions from almost every quizbowl tournament since the 1990s. Question sets are organized chronologically and divided into “Middle School,” “High School,” and “Collegiate” sections.

This is the ultimate source for practice material for both team practices and for motivated individual players who want to learn new clues and see what comes up. If you’re a novice player, click on the “novice questions” link for some good intro-level questions.

## SCOP Study Guides

A series of study guides probably most appropriate for beginning teams and players (and good for middle schoolers of all levels as well).

Once you’ve mastered these, move on to the NAQT “You Gotta Know” Lists for more of a challenge. Keep in mind, however, that study guides are only starting points; your goal should be not just to memorize the key points for each entry, but to use that as a jumping-off point for more learning.

## QB Reader

A searchable and browsable database of quizbowl questions that is useful for finding questions about a certain subject, from a certain question set, or at a certain difficulty. Has been recently updated with new questions and a new interface.

Very useful to learn how old questions have been constructed around various topics to help “quizbowl-ify” your factual knowledge of a topic. Just start searching for topics or specific potential answers/clues that interest you and see what comes up.

## PACE Coaching Hotline

A coaching hotline for new coaches with any coaching-related questions. Submit questions to the hotline at [coaching@pace-nsc.org](mailto:coaching@pace-nsc.org).

## PACE Articles & Resources

A collection of resources that PACE sponsors and supports to help quizbowl programs develop and improve, including articles about basic information about quizbowl, advice for improving, tips on running successful tournaments, as well as guides for how to play, coach, staff, and run online tournaments.

## Participating Teams

## 84 quizbowl teams, including:

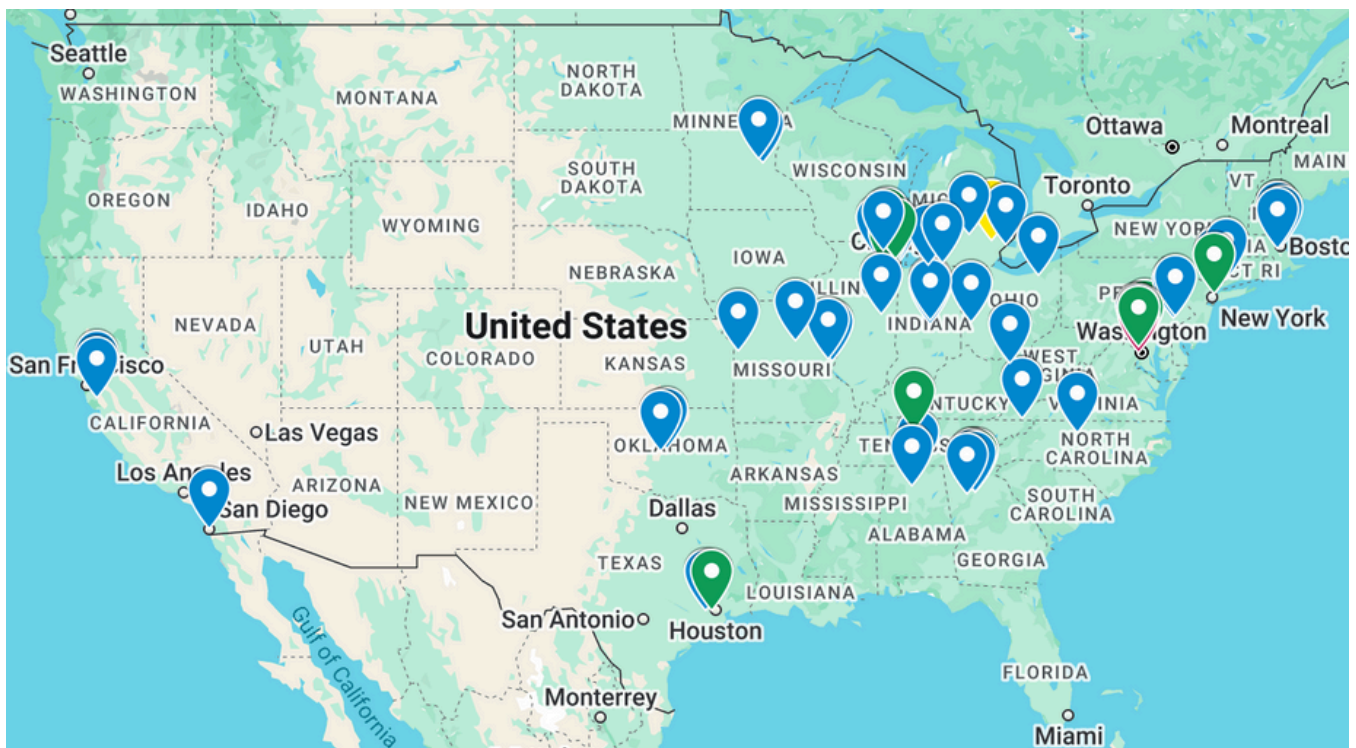
## 5 small school teams

## 11 Junior Varsity teams

**6** former winners of the NSC

**18** schools attending their first NSC

**64** distinct schools from **20** states (and Washington, D.C.)



each map pin represents a distinct school



# Team Directory

listed alphabetically by school name

Alabama School of  
Cyber Technology  
and Engineering  
Huntsville, AL

Leo Osborne, Sophomore  
Tate Osborne, Senior, Auburn University  
Brooks Phillips, Senior, Auburn University  
Hilton Tran, Freshman  
Coaches: Robin Osborne, Peter Speak

Audrain County  
Academic Team  
Mexico, MO  
*Small School*

Hunter Feger, Junior  
Lucita Gleeson Senior, Southeastern Missouri State University  
Andrew Peuster, Senior, Benedictine College  
Camden Williams, Senior, Truman State University  
Coaches: Dale Schenewerk, Sarah Gleeson

Barrington  
Barrington, IL

Lynda Ma, Junior  
Kaitlyn Leonard, Junior  
Kiran Patel, Sophomore  
Colin Starnes, Junior  
John Szauskellis, Senior, University of Illinois  
Coach: Jeff Price

Belmont  
Belmont, MA  
*Junior Varsity*

Andrew Gao, Sophomore  
Ethan Gong-Norton, Freshman  
David Sheffield, Sophomore  
Jeffrey Wu, Sophomore  
Coach: Beth Manca

Carl Sandburg  
Orland Park, IL

Nicholas Diaz, Junior  
Ayaan Ghori, Junior  
Chloe McLaughlin, Junior  
Brandon Torres, Senior, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
Coach: Olivia Parker

Carmel A  
Carmel, IN

Anthony Pho, Senior  
Brian Pho, Senior  
Michael Pu, Freshman  
Draco Qiao, Sophomore  
Coach: Matthew Cinkoske

Carmel B  
Carmel, IN

Anna Liao, Senior  
Anjali Prasad, Junior  
Ryan Sharp, Junior  
Keefe Yang, Junior

Centennial High  
School A  
Ellicott City, MD

Henry Berger, Freshman  
Satvik Jain, Freshman  
Sahil Prasad, Freshman  
Maxwell Swann, Senior, Cornell University  
Coaches: Eric Seifter, Sara Seifter, John Heslin, Jeffrey Berger, Paula Swann

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Centennial High  
School B  
Ellicott City, MD

Ryan Chang, Senior, University of California-Berkeley  
Jeremy Kantsiper, Junior  
Matthew Yang, Sophomore  
Shravan Yoagentharan, Sophomore  
Coaches: Eric Seifter, Sara Seifter, John Heslin, Jeffrey Berger, Paula Swann

Chattahoochee High  
School A  
Johns Creek, GA

Martin Ames, Senior, University of Georgia  
Tarun Devi, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Akilan Ganesan, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Druv Rastogi, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Coach: Michael Mathis

Chattahoochee High  
School B  
Johns Creek, GA  
*Junior Varsity*

Samy El-Zahabi, Sophomore  
Nachiket Hegde, Sophomore  
Arnav Jaspara, Sophomore  
Andrew Lao, Sophomore  
Coach: Michael Mathis

Classen School of  
Advanced Studies  
Oklahoma City, OK

Charan Pratapeneni, Senior, Emory University  
Sreekar Vajjha, Sophomore  
Coach: Neelima Vajjha

Coronado  
Coronado, CA

Thanh Cruz, Sophomore  
Reed Karosich, Sophomore  
Paige Koczan, Junior  
Mireyea Tabarez, Junior  
Coach: Thomas Hellwig

Detroit Catholic  
Central A  
Novi, MI

Dylan Cregar, Senior, University of Michigan  
Chris Goolsby, Senior, University of Michigan  
Nick Murray, Senior, Michigan State University  
Ben Yancey, Senior, University of Michigan  
Coach: Christopher Gismondi

Detroit Catholic  
Central B  
Novi, MI

Philip Calabrese, Junior  
Christian Curtis, Junior  
Joseph Harrison, Junior  
Saathvik Koneru, Sophomore  
Coach: Ben Herman

Detroit Catholic  
Central C  
Novi, MI  
*Junior Varsity*

George Aljarbo, Freshman  
Thomas Koch, Freshman  
Colin Maxworthy, Sophomore  
Brady Shih, Sophomore  
Coach: Anthony Cornish

Downingtown STEM  
Downingtown, PA

Ameya Bhalerao, Junior  
Joe Lin, Junior  
Ryan Smith, Senior, Westchester University

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Eastchester High  
School  
Eastchester, NY

Maximilian Lin, Junior  
Nomuun Undrakh, Junior  
Coach: Larry Ellis

Edina High School  
Edina, MN

Jo Adam, Senior, Washington & Lee University  
Jack O'Brien, Senior, Georgetown University  
Beckett Pursey, Senior, Purdue University  
Aidan Sneller, Junior  
Coaches: Funmi Banjoko, Evan Ward

Fairfield County  
Academic Team  
Darien, CT

Maya Pujara, Junior  
Rajiv Pujara, Senior, Dartmouth College  
Coach: Punit Pujara

William Fremd High  
School  
Palatine, IL

Steven Long, Junior  
Omkar Maratge, Senior, Columbia University  
Vedanth Srihari, Senior, Brown University  
Anvith Vanukuri, Senior, Northwestern University  
Coach: Steve Long

Georgetown Day  
School  
Washington, D.C.  
*Junior Varsity*

Haughton Neppl, Sophomore  
Coaches: Shawn Miller, Sue Ikenberry

Glenbrook South  
Glenview, IL

Nico Bobis, Sophomore  
Ian Chiu, Junior  
Stephanie Orr, Sophomore  
James Wray, Sophomore  
Coach: Carrie Fraher

Great Valley  
Malvern, PA

Aditya Dronamraju, Freshman  
Travis Johnson, Senior, University of Pittsburgh  
Colin O'Neill, Senior, Temple University  
Neel Rege, Freshman  
Smeet Thaker, Freshman  
Coach: Bern McCauley

Grosse Pointe South  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI

Anthony Kaminski, Junior  
Joshua Koch, Senior, University of Michigan  
Liam O'Mara, Junior  
Grayson Wodzisz, Freshman  
Coach: Peter Palen

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Herron High School  
Indianapolis, IN  
*Junior Varsity*

Ava Madrazo, Sophomore  
Henry Nolan, Sophomore  
Vivian Reed, Freshman  
Sophia Swain, Sophomore  
Elijah Tyler, Freshman  
Coach: Ellen Rispoli

Hinsdale Central High  
School  
Hinsdale, IL

Abigail AuYeung, Senior  
William DeBruin, Junior  
Charlie Doehring, Senior  
Steven Zhao, Sophomore  
Alex Zhang, Sophomore  
Coach: Alan McCloud

Homewood-  
Flossmoor High  
School  
Flossmoor, IL

Paul Cavalieri, Junior  
Luke De Bruin, Junior  
Charlie Egge, Freshman  
Inioluwa Stephen Owalobi, Freshman  
Oreoluwa Sarah Owalobi, Sophomore  
Everett Van Til, California Polytechnic State University  
Coaches: Michael Sacks, Tiffany White

Hunter A  
New York, NY

Dune Joerg, Junior  
Theodore Kronby, Sophomore  
Evan Schleck, Senior, Georgetown University  
Maggie Sun, Senior, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Coach: Caitlin Samuel

Hunter B  
New York, NY

Juni Lowenhar, Senior, Oberlin College  
Camille Pimentel, Freshman  
Samuel Shottes, Sophomore  
Walker Varghese, Sophomore  
Coach: Caitlin Samuel

Innovation Academy A  
Alpharetta, GA

Lucas Ardelean, Senior, Mercer University  
Krish Chinta, Senior  
Jack Mangrum, Senior, Brigham Young University  
Shaun Iyer, Sophomore  
Coach: Lawrence McGillicuddy

Innovation Academy B  
Alpharetta, GA

Samanyu Bhupalam, Senior, University of Georgia  
Ian Droessler Wilson, Junior  
Arjun Nair, Sophomore  
Sreyas Sabbani, Sophomore  
Coach: Lawrence McGillicuddy

Irvington  
Fremont, CA

Kate Gu, Senior, Reed College  
Brandon Hu, Junior  
Jeffrey Lee, Junior  
Arjun Murugappan, Junior  
Dominic Salazar, Junior  
Coach: Adrian Salazar

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Johns Creek A  
Johns Creek, GA

Kevin Fan, Sophomore  
Joshua Li, Sophomore  
Michelle Luo, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Edward Kim, Junior  
Evan Xue, Sophomore  
Coach: Soon-Ho Kim

Kane County Academic  
Team  
Aurora, IL

Hariharan Ananthkrishnan, Junior  
Cinna Davis, Sophomore  
Jade Go, Junior  
Tony Han, Junior  
Jeev Hora, Junior  
Peter Panchev, Junior  
Coaches: Elena Cazares-Johnson, Hanna Grotegut

Lambert A  
Suwanee, GA

Tejas Kohli, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Sanjay Peumal, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Manu Sankaran, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Pranav Srambikkal, Senior, Georgia Tech  
Coach: Benjamin Roper

Lambert B  
Suwanee, GA

Samyuktha Krishnan, Junior  
Arani Pittu, Freshman  
Rochan Saireddy, Freshman  
Balaskanda Sivanandame, Sophomore  
Adhrit Yadav, Sophomore  
Coach: Benhamin Roper

Lee's Summit  
Lee's Summit, MO

Aidyn Congdon, Sophomore  
Brady Gaylord, Junior  
Derek Heitz, Sophomore  
Luke Whitehead, Junior  
Coaches: Diana Lehman, Gina Eberle

Lexington  
Lexington, MA  
*Junior Varsity*

Shishir Bharadwaj, Sophomore  
Alvan Hossain, Sophomore  
Aadi Pudasaini, Sophomore  
Melody Zou, Sophomore  
Coach: Joshua Olivier-Mason

Lincoln-Way East A  
Frankfort, IL

Dylan Latek, Senior, Iowa State University  
Caleb Lee, Senior, Hillsdale College  
Tyler Mercado, Senior, University of Illinois  
Jaxso Plutz  
Felix Sacks, Junior  
David Scott, Senior, Texas Christian University  
Coaches: Matthew Jordan, Carlie Premo

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Lincoln-Way East B  
Frankfort, IL

Josephine Baxa, Sophomore  
Elise Froehlich, Junior  
Ethan Krone, Junior  
Stephen Langdon, Junior  
Sam Lee, Sophomore  
Hope Therrien, Junior  
Coaches: Matthew Jordan, Carlie Premo

Lindbergh High School  
St. Louis, MO

Bryce Carey, Senior, University of Missouri  
Thomas Donelon, Senior, University of Missouri  
Aditya Dubey, Sophomore  
Safiya Hasan, Senior, University of Missouri  
Vidur Kothur, Senior, Carnegie Mellon University  
Megan Shellenberger, Senior, St. Louis Community College  
Coach: Sandra Olive

Milton High School  
Milton, GA

Hunter Davis, Junior  
Gabriela Dunlap, Sophomore  
Darren Kellis, Senior, Vanderbilt University  
Trey Taylor, Senior, University of Georgia  
Coach: Richard Dunlap

Montgomery Blair A  
Silver Spring, MD

Sophia Jones, Junior  
Arjun Ramachandran, Junior  
Justin Rosentover, Junior  
Gugan Thuduppathy, Junior  
Coaches: Sean Rada, Peter Hammond

Montgomery Blair B  
Silver Spring, MD

Elijah Markman, Freshman  
Yongle Xin, Junior  
Jason Yao, Junior  
Ezra Zibel, Junior  
Coaches: Sean Rada, Peter Hammond

North Quincy  
High School  
Quincy, MA

Tristan Andre, Junior  
Catherine Chen, Senior, Boston University  
Belle Li, Junior  
John Lin, Junior  
Alexander Schramm, Senior, Brown University  
Amy Tan, Senior, Harvard University  
Coaches: Mira Kriz, Peggy Farren

Northmont High  
School  
Clayton, OH

Kevin Adler, Senior, Earlham College  
Russell Dillak, Senior, Cedarville University  
Nathan Haley, Senior, University of South Florida  
Ethan Kral, Senior, Miami University of Ohio  
Coach: David Jones

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Northside College Prep  
Chicago, IL

Grace Brett, Freshman  
Tea Ilic, Junior  
Cooper Jurgeleit, Junior  
Gavin Mitchell, Junior  
Winnie Nutkowitz, Junior  
Lyn Redman, Senior  
Coach: Colleen Sullivan

Northview High School  
Johns Creek, GA  
*Junior Varsity*

Justin An, Freshman  
Sheehan Banka, Freshman  
Ray Claret, Sophomore  
Kaiden Lee, Freshman  
Anoop Valavoju, Sophomore  
Coach: Scott Fowler

Okemos High School  
Okemos, MI

Dev Gurung, Junior  
Daniel Leung, Junior  
Aaron Liu, Junior  
Hamin Song, Junior  
Coach: Isabella Heathman

Park Tudor School  
Indianapolis, IN  
*Junior Varsity*

Evan Ting, Freshman  
Coach: Sven Dubie

Parkway West High  
School  
Chesterfield, MO

Ian Chung, Freshman  
Nick Hillman, Sophomore  
Soham Ray, Junior  
Jackson Stirling, Sophomore  
Sasha Tripathi, Senior, University of Chicago  
Coach: Patrick Troy

Quince Orchard  
Gaithersburg, MD

Drew Dietrich, Senior, University of Maryland  
Evan Gniadek, Senior, Purdue University  
Kevin Zheng, Senior, University of Maryland  
Coach: Joshua Schuman

Richard Montgomery  
High School  
Rockville, MD

Ian Chen, Freshman  
Nam Dang, Sophomore  
Jonathan Kim, Freshman  
Anthony Lau, Junior  
Andrew Zhao, Junior  
Coach: Nathaniel Mason

Russell High School  
Russell, KY  
*Small School*

Ahya Farhat, Junior  
Yasmeen Farhat, Junior  
Chase Holbrook, Sophomore  
Justin Jiang, Junior  
Snehan Saroch, Senior, University of Louisville  
Coaches: Bryan Enders, Samantha Conent

Saint Joseph High  
School  
South Bend, IN

Teddy Berente, Senior  
Cormac Kennedy, Senior  
Cole Kurzhal, Senior  
Brendan Willamowski, Senior  
Coaches: Ben Dillon, Mary Kate Lamp

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Saratoga High School  
Saratoga, CA  
*Junior Varsity*

Harini Ramakrishnan, Freshman  
Arjun Vijaykumar, Freshman  
Coach: Vijay Kumar

Seven Lakes High  
School  
Katy, TX

Samin Asif, Sophomore  
Arjun Desikan, Junior  
Aditya Khambekar, Junior  
Aaron Wang, Sophomore  
Coach: Sarah Andrews

Solon High School  
Solon, OH

Kartik Bhat, Senior, Case Western Reserve University  
Wyatt Johnson, Senior, Case Western Reserve University  
Eli Oster, Senior, Miami University  
Angela Sun, Senior, Carleton College  
Coach: Peter Bergman

Adlai E. Stevenson A  
Lincolnshire, IL

Monit Karmakar, Junior  
Spencer Manning, Sophomore  
Shreecharan "Charan" Shreekumar, Sophomore  
Anirudh "Ani" Srinivasan, Sophomore  
Ethan Wang, Sophomore  
Coach: Brian Oberhauser

Adlai E. Stevenson B  
Lincolnshire, IL

Amber Dong, Junior  
Maya Hulyalkar, Freshman  
Hari Veginati, Senior, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Jingyi Wu, Junior  
Kevin Yang, Senior, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Coach: Brian Oberhauser

Strake Jesuit A  
Houston, TX

Max Chen, Senior, Rice University  
Jacob Higgs, Sophomore  
Khang Le, Junior  
Justin Wang, Senior, Rice University  
Coaches: Max Maier, Margaret Buester

Strake Jesuit B  
Houston, TX

William Condron, Junior  
Alex Ewart, Sophomore  
Danny "Raj" Morris, Sophomore  
Mikey Rodriguez, Senior, Rice University  
Coaches: Max Maier, Margaret Buester

Thomas Jefferson A  
Alexandria, VA

Abigail Lee, Senior, Virginia Tech  
Matthew Ryan, Junior,  
Aryan Sumesh, Senior  
Anthony Zhao, Junior  
Coaches: Julia Fu, Greg Dorsey



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Thomas Jefferson B  
Alexandria, VA

Sophia Guo, Junior  
Aarushi Kanigicherla, Junior  
Anthony Xu, Senior, Amherst College  
Ray Zhao, Freshman  
Coaches: Julia Fu, Greg Dorsey

Thomas Jefferson C  
Alexandria, VA  
*Junior Varsity*

Jerry Huang, Freshman  
Nathan Liang, Sophomore  
Matthew Peng, Sophomore  
Eshaan Sombhatta, Sophomore  
Coaches: Julia Fu, Greg Dorsey

Thomas Jefferson D  
Alexandria, VA

Taran Bhandari, Junior  
Hrishi Bhooma, Junior  
Samuel Li, Freshman  
Boye Zhu, Junior  
Coaches: Julia Fu, Greg Dorsey

Thomas Jefferson E  
Alexandria, VA  
*Junior Varsity*

Parker Braithwaite, Freshman  
Brian Han, Freshman  
Crystal He, Freshman  
Justin Yuan, Freshman  
Coaches: Julia Fu, Greg Dorsey

University Lab  
Urbana, IL

David Black, Senior  
Sophia Chen, Sophomore  
Ben Newman, Senior, Duke University  
Jonathan Ouyang, Senior, Johns Hopkins University  
Jaehyun Yi, Freshman  
Coaches: Kaila Simpson, Cyndi Smyser

University School of  
Nashville A  
Nashville, TN

Ophelia Cherry-Pulay, Senior, Columbia University  
Daniel Guo, Senior, Yale University  
Penelope Graham, Senior, Williams College  
Clover Horwitz, Junior  
Coach: Eric Mukherjee

University School of  
Nashville B  
Nashville, TN

Evan Giles, Junior  
Jackson Green, Junior  
Lucia Gellert, Sophomore  
Annie Williamson, Freshman  
Coach: Eric Mukherjee

Walker School  
Marietta, GA

Karthik Jarayam, Senior  
Rohan Jain, Junior  
Andy Rossitch, Junior  
Coach: Michael Arjona

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Walter Hines Page  
Jr/Sr High School  
Greensboro, NC

Micah Chacon, Senior, Duke University  
Zachary Martin, Senior, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Robert Young, Jr., Senior, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Coaches: Robert Young, Sr., Preston Young

Walter Payton College  
Prep A  
Chicago, IL

Mandy Dantz, Junior  
Simra Kuchay, Freshman  
Grant Liu, Freshman  
Elena Whitford, Sophomore  
Coach: Mark Taylor

Walter Payton  
College Prep B  
Chicago, IL

Kieran Blake, Junior  
Ben Hesser, Sophomore  
Hector Rodriguez, Junior  
Aaron Zhang, Sophomore  
Coach: Mark Taylor

Wayzata High School  
Plymouth, MN

Alex Bohlinger, Senior, University of Minnesota-Duluth  
Ananth Ramsankar, Senior, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities  
Kevin Qiu, Junior  
Sriram Susarla, Senior, University of British Columbia  
Coaches: Abigail Genise, Amanda Campbell

West Point  
Cullman, AL  
*Small School*

Brodie Henry, Senior, Auburn University  
Sean Harbison, Junior  
Eli Taylor, Senior, University of Alabama Huntsville  
John Davis Yovino, Senior, Auburn University  
Coach: Lee Henry

Westwood  
Westwood, MA

Jefferson Ji, Senior, Cornell University  
Wesley Li, Senior, University of Chicago  
Deepak Viswalingam, Senior, Princeton University  
Christian Watson, Senior  
Jasper Xu, Senior, Dartmouth College  
Coach: Jared Sargent

White Pigeon  
White Pigeon, MI  
*Small School*

Luke Hinkson, Senior, Southwestern Michigan College  
Claire Lohse, Junior  
Ethan Williams, Freshman  
Jack Williams, Senior, Southwestern Michigan College  
Jayden Wright, Junior  
Coaches: Kelly Gates, Mindy Williams, Jacob Keck

Winston Churchill A  
Potomac, MD

Ulden Gao, Junior  
Colette Kendrick, Junior  
Andrew Li, Junior  
Tyler Song, Senior  
Aaron Zhou, Junior

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Winston Churchill B  
Potomac, MD

Ray Guan, Junior  
Zhedong Han, Junior  
Ruhi Nair, Junior  
Tiger Wu, Sophomore

Virginia High School  
Bristol, VA  
*Small School*

Reily Gillenwater, Senior, East Tennessee State University  
Wilson Hartley, Senior, University of Virginia  
Adam Johnson, Senior, Virginia Highlands Community College  
Kendra Robinette, Senior, Roanoke College  
Coach: Noah Ashbrook

Yukon A  
Yukon, OK

Arianne Amasol, Sophomore  
Alex Bach, Sophomore  
Averi Manning, Senior, Redlands Community College  
Christopher Stewart, Senior, University of Oklahoma  
Coaches: Ty Haisten, Alex Shirley, Sage Snow, Rachel Games

Yukon B  
Yukon, OK

Jay Camp, Senior  
Maya Ritz, Junior  
Roman Salda, Senior  
Presley Tate, Senior  
Coaches: Ty Haisten, Alex Shirley, Sage Snow, Rachel Games

# Past NSC Champions

## 1998

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*29 teams at Case Western Reserve University*

- 1) **State College**
- 2) Henry Ford II
- 3/4) Copley, Gonzaga

## 1999

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*22 teams at The University of Pennsylvania*

- 1) **State College**
- 2) Rockville
- 3/4) Eleanor Roosevelt, Detroit Catholic Central

## 2000

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*16 teams at Furman University*

- (1) **State College**
- (2) Eisenhower
- (3/4) Dorman, Riverdale

## 2001

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*22 teams at Bowling Green State University*

- 1) **State College**
- 2) Georgetown Day
- 3/4) Detroit Catholic Central, Detroit Country Day

## 2002

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*40 teams at George Washington University*

- 1) **Richard Montgomery**
- 2) Detroit Catholic Central
- 3/4) Eleanor Roosevelt, Detroit Country Day

## 2003

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*27 teams at Case Western Reserve University*

- 1) **Dorman**
- 2) Thomas Jefferson
- 3/4) Detroit Catholic Central, Dunbar

## 2004

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*40 teams at the University of Maryland*

- (1) **Maggie Walker**
- (2) State College
- (3) St. John's, Richard Montgomery

## 2005

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*31 teams at Valencia Community College*

- (1) **Thomas Jefferson A**
- (2) Richard Montgomery
- (3/4) Mission San Jose, Thomas Jefferson B

## 2006

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*29 teams at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics*

- (1) **Raleigh Charter**
- (2) Richard Montgomery
- (3/4) State College, Maggie Walker

## 2007

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*36 teams at the University of Michigan*

- 1) **Maggie Walker**
- 2) Martin Luther King
- 3) Dorman
- 4) Thomas Jefferson

## 2008

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*48 teams at George Mason University*

- (1) **Walt Whitman**
- (2) Thomas Jefferson
- (3/4) Dorman, Wilmington Charter

## 2009

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*64 teams at George Mason University*

- 1) **Wilmington Charter**
- 2) State College
- 3/4) Georgetown Day School, Maggie Walker

*\*Third and fourth place were not distinguished before 2009.  
For 1998 to 2008, both teams listed should be considered semifinalists of equal standing.*

# 2010

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*64 teams at George Mason University*

- 1) **State College**
- 2) Henry Ford II
- 3) Copley
- 4) Gonzaga

# 2011

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*60 teams at Northwestern University*

- 1) **State College**
- 2) Henry Ford II
- 3) Copley
- 4) Gonzaga

# 2012

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*60 teams at Washington University in St. Louis*

- 1) **Hunter A**
- 2) Bellarmine
- 3) Centennial
- 4) IMSA A

# 2013

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*72 teams at the University of Maryland*

- 1) **Ladue**
- 2) LASA A
- 3) Loyola Academy
- 4) Dorman A

# 2014

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*96 teams in Reston, VA*

- 1) **LASA A**
- 2) Western Albemarle
- 3) St. John's
- 4) Ladue

# 2015

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*96 teams in Reston, VA*

- 1) **Detroit Catholic Central**
- 2) LASA
- 3) Maggie Walker
- 4) High Tech

# 2016

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*96 teams in Rosemont, IL*

- 1) **LASA**
- 2) Adlai E. Stevenson High School
- 3) Thomas Jefferson
- 4) Hinsdale Central

# 2017

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*96 teams in Rosemont, IL*

- 1) **Detroit Catholic Central**
- 2) Westview
- 3) Barrington
- 4) Thomas Jefferson

# 2018

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*96 teams in Reston, VA*

- 1) **Thomas Jefferson**
- 2) Dublin Scioto
- 3) Wayzata A
- 4) Taylor

# 2019

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*96 teams in Reston, VA*

- 1) **Thomas Jefferson**
- 2) James E. Taylor
- 3) University Lab
- 4) Montgomery Blair A

# 2020

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*Cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic*

# 2021

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*80 teams competed virtually*

- 1) **Thomas Jefferson A**
- 2) Hunter A
- 3) St. Marks (TX)
- 4) Richard Montgomery A

# 2022

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*72 teams in Rosemont, IL*

- 1) **Lambert**
- 2) Thomas Jefferson A
- 3) Kinkaid
- 4) Strake Jesuit

# 2023

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*72 teams in Rosemont, IL*

- 1) **Barrington A**
- 2) Thomas Jefferson A
- 3) Hunter A
- 4) Belmont

# 2024

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*72 teams in Reston, VA*

- 1) **Barrington A**
- 2) Richard Montgomery A
- 3) St. Mark's
- 4) Hastings

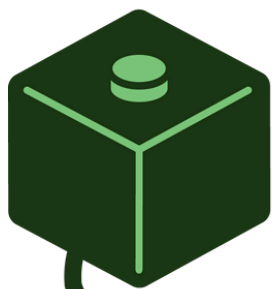
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Gollamudi, Flora Shen, Lynda Ma

Coach: Jeffrey Price



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