

Who: (By signing this form, you are granting your child permission to participate in the Centennial Campus Magnet Middle School Science Olympiad club.) I understand that should the number of interested students exceed 23 the coaches reserve the right to make cuts to the team due to Science Olympiad competition rules. My child may continue to stay after school, but he/she will not be permitted to participate in the regional competition if the do not make the varsity team. My child will be at the mandatory January 20 museum practice competition as well as the mandatory February 3 regional competition at Southeast Raleigh High School should they make the varsity team. If my child is chosen as an alternate, he/she will only attend the competition if a varsity team member cannot attend the mandatory events. Students who cannot attend these events are not eligible for the varsity team. Students who do not display proper work etiquette and behavior during meetings will be removed from the team.

The head coach of the team is Brittany Argall (bargall@wcpss.net) and assistant coaches are Danielle Lewis (dlewis-ange@wcpss.net), Raven Reese (rreese@wcpss.net), Regina Connors (rconnors@wcpss.net), and Joy Bibbs (jbountbibbs@wcpss.net).

What: Science Olympiad is a team of 18 students and 5 alternates for a total of 23 students. These students compete in a total of 23 STEM related events testing their knowledge and critical thinking as they build prototypes, solve problems, and complete written assignments.

When: Science Olympiad will practice Monday-Thursday after school. Your child will be responsible for staying after school **only** on the days his or her event(s) practice. Practice will be held from 2:30-4:00. Transportation home by a parent is required for participation. Students picked up more than 15 minutes late 3 times will be removed from the team.

Where: Practices will be held at CCMMS. Your child will also be required to spend time at home practicing and researching. **Joining Science Olympiad is like joining a sports team and requires a great deal of time and dedication.** On Saturday, January 20, the varsity team will participate in a practice event. This is mandatory. On Saturday, February 3, the varsity team will participate in the regional competition at Southeast Raleigh High School. This is also mandatory. Teams who place will then go on to the state competition at NC State in April.

Why: Science Olympiad teaches crucial skills for success in today's society while submersing students in STEM topics. Students will dive deeper into concepts learned in their regular science classroom in some cases to as high as the collegiate level. Students will also develop stronger critical thinking and teamwork skills.

Cost: Students are responsible for supplying their own materials for the events. Most materials can be found around the house or are low in cost such as balsa wood and duct tape. Students making the varsity team will be asked to pay \$10 to cover t-shirt costs for the competition.

Communication: Communication will happen through remind. By signing the form below, you give Ms. Argall permission to add you to the Remind class. Remind is a safe and free texting app that goes straight to your phone like a normal text message. Ms. Argall can be reached at bargall@wcpss.net

Please fill out and return the below form by **Friday, September 15**. Please print clearly.

I _____ give my child _____ permission to participate in the CCMMS Science Olympiad team. I will arrange for my child to be picked up no later than 4:15 on practice days. I agree to allow Ms. Argall to add me to the Remind group and to communicate via this platform or e-mail. If selected for varsity, my child will be at the mandatory January 20 and February 3 dates. If for some reason they are not able to attend, I will contact Ms. Argall immediately.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Phone _____ Parent e-mail _____

Does your child have any medical conditions such as asthma or diabetes or allergies that we need to be aware of? _____ yes _____ no

If yes, what _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Relation _____

I am interested in assisting with the supervision of after school practices in order to help make Science Olympiad a success at CCMMS.

Yes on _____ Mondays _____ Tuesdays _____ Wednesdays _____ Thursdays _____ No, sorry