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New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational Contest – February 14, 2009
New Caney Sixth Grade Campus, Porter, TX
Policy Form

CHEATING

(1) An individual (coach, parent, or student) who cheats during the competition will be penalized by disqualification of the team from that event. Disqualification results in a score that is two points greater than the number of teams registered in the region.

(2) If cheating occurs by a team in more than one event, or in successive years, the team may be disqualified that year, or the following year, from the entire competition.

(3) If an event team, or team member, or anyone associated with the team, deliberately takes an action that impairs the ability of other teams to fairly compete, that team will be disqualified from the event and be awarded two points greater than the number of teams registered. In addition, the event team member(s) involved in the incident, may be ineligible for any future Science Olympiad competitions. Furthermore, the teams may be penalized points not to exceed the value of two last place rankings.

I have read and understand the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational policy on acceptable behavior regarding cheating, and I have discussed this with the team members, and will accept the consequences of violation of the policy as assessed by the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational officials.

CONSTRUCTED DEVICES

This policy applies to events that require a device to be constructed and brought to the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational. The student primarily responsible for the design and construction of the device (lead student) must be present and operate the device when it is operated for scoring.

The event supervisor(s) may extensively question the lead student as to the design and construction of the device. Questioning may include the overall design and construction as well as the component parts, how they operate and function in the device. Other students on the team may also be questioned.

If the students cannot answer the questions correctly, then the event supervisor(s) has grounds to believe the students did not design and/or construct the device. The team will be disqualified from the event and scored accordingly.

I have read and understand the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational policy on who may build and design devices used for the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational competition, and I have discussed this with the team members, and will accept the consequences of violation of the policy as assessed by the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational officials. I further certify that ALL devices used for this competition are designed and constructed solely by the participants of each event.

INTERFERENCE

Penalty points may be assessed for the following:

1. For a student, coach, teacher, chaperon or parent entering a building or area where events are set up for the competition or are being held, without proper authorization to do so, five (5) penalty points may be assessed.

Only those students actually competing in an event and those teachers who may be assigned to assist in the conducting of an event may enter areas where events are held. All other persons are to remain out of the building or the area at all times.

2. For a student, coach, teacher, chaperon or parent interfering with or disrupting the conduct of an event, ten (10) penalty points may be assessed.

Note this policy applies to any person in attendance at the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational.

I have read and understand the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational policy on acceptable behavior regarding interference of teachers, parents, other family members, coaches and chaperones with any facet of the Olympiad competition, and I have discussed this with the team members, and will accept the consequences of violation of the policy as assessed by the New Caney Science Olympiad Invitational officials. I further understand that each team is responsible for the behavior of all persons accompanying the team, and for making them aware of this policy.

