

**New York State Science Olympiad
STAR Program
Regional Tournaments – Division B
March 6, 2021**

UPDATED VERSION: January 13, 2021

TEAM COACHES:

- ❖ Sometime around March 1, 2021 you will receive an email from your Regional Site Coordinator.
 - 1) Email #1: Shared STAR Event Tests B2021
 - a) This email will contain two sections:
 - i) Section 1: Here, the link for the official 15 Event Tests, along with their respective Student Answer Sheets, will be located. In other words, when you view the links in this section of the email you will see all 15 Event Tests, along with each test's corresponding Student Answer Sheet.
 - ii) Section 2: Here, you will see 15 File Requests links for the Student Answer Sheets. These File Requests links are both Region and Event Specific. (This will be the section where students will upload their materials).
 - b) This email is **NOT** to be altered in any manner. Instead, it should be forwarded to all the students on your Team.
 - c) It is the responsibility of the Team Coaches to send this email to their respective students.
 - d) While you will receive this email in advance, you **WILL NOT** be able to open the tests until the day of your Regional Tournament.
 - e) The Event passwords will be posted on the www.newyorkscioly.org homepage at the time each bracket begins (e.g., 7:30am bracket, etc.).
 - f) All password access will expire on March 6, 2021 at 11:59pm.

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STUDENTS:

- ❖ Sometime around March 1, 2021 you will receive an email from your Team Coach.
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 - ii) Section 2: Here, you will see 15 File Requests links for the Student Answer Sheets. These File Request links are both Region and Event Specific. (This will be the portion where students will upload their materials).
 - b) This email is **NOT** to be altered in any manner.
 - c) It is the responsibility of the Team Coaches to send this email to their respective students. If you do not receive an email from your Team Coach, please notify them.
 - d) While you will receive this email in advance, you **WILL NOT** be able to open the tests until the day of your Regional Tournament.

- e) The Event passwords will be posted on the www.newyorkscioly.org homepage at the time each bracket begins (e.g., 7:30am bracket, etc.).
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❖ **GENERAL NOTES FOR STUDENTS:**

- 1) You may ***only*** use outside resource materials ***if specifically mentioned*** in the Event Rules.
- 2) ***The Science Olympiad Honor Code is in place at all times.***
- 3) You may ***only*** upload 1 Student Answer Sheet per Team. Only one will be graded. If a second answer sheet is submitted, only the first one submitted will be graded.
- 4) You only have a set time to complete the Event. For example, if you are taking the Anatomy & Physiology Test, you only have from 7:30am to 8:30am to complete the Event.
- 5) Event Tests are officially 50 minutes long. It is strongly recommended that you leave yourself the remaining 10 minutes at the end of the bracket to upload your Student Answer Sheet. Should you try to upload the Anatomy & Physiology Test any time after 8:30am, YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED to do so.
- 6) Make sure you complete the top of each Student Answer Sheet: Student Names, School, Team Number, etc. If an Event Supervisor is unable to determine which Student Answer Sheet is submitted, that Student Answer sheet will not be graded.

❖ **Special Notes from the State Director and Regional Tournament Director:**

- 1) There are a lot of things that you can do in advance of Tournament Day...do those things.
- 2) Practice Event Tests and Practice Student Answer Sheets are available...make use of them: for both content and for download/upload practice.
- 3) Pay special attention to directions.
- 4) **DON'T DO ANYTHING WEIRD TO THE EVENT TEST AND/OR THE STUDENT ANSWER SHEETS.** (e.g., don't electronically split up the Student Answer Sheet and then recombine it, don't use any kind of program or electronic writing tool that may alter, wipe, or reformat the Student Answer Sheet, etc.) In other words...when in doubt, don't.