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New School Award & Small School Award:

In order to recognize and encourage the strong performance and participation of new schools and small schools, New York State Science Olympiad, Inc.'s ("NYSSO") Board of Directors (the "Board") maintains the following policy regarding the New School Award and Small School Award:

1) **Regional Tournament:**

a) **New School:**

- 1) Definition: A new school is a school that has not participated in any Regional Tournament within the past three consecutive years.
- 2) Eligibility: A new school that achieves the highest rank, but not achieving a trophy rank, may receive the New School Award, provided that there are at least three other new schools participating in that Regional Tournament.

b) **Small School:**

- 1) Definition: A small school is a school that has a student body:
 - i) Division B: 600 students, or less, in the eligible participating grades (Grades 6 through 9), or with some other appropriate number as determined by the State Director or a Regional Site Coordinator.
 - ii) Division C: 600 students, or less, in the eligible participating grades (Grades 9 through 12), or with some other appropriate number as determined by the State Director or a Regional Site Coordinator.
- 2) Eligibility: A small school that achieves the highest rank, but not achieving a trophy rank, may receive the Small School Award.

2) **State Tournament:**

a) **New School:**

- 1) Definition: A new school is a school that has not participated in the State Tournament within the past three consecutive years.

- 2) Eligibility: A new school that achieves the highest rank, but not achieving a trophy rank, may receive the New School Award, provided that there are at least three other new schools participating in the State Tournament.

b) **Small School:**

- 1) Definition: A small school is a school that has a student body:
- i) Division B: 600 students, or less, in the eligible participating grades (Grades 6 through 9), or with some other appropriate number as determined by the State Director.
 - ii) Division C: 600 students, or less, in the eligible participating grades (Grades 9 through 12), or with some other appropriate number as determined by the State Director.
- 2) Eligibility: A small school that achieves the highest rank, but not achieving a trophy rank, may receive the Small School Award.

Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be directed to the President of NYSSO's Board of Directors and the State Director.

Submitted, Reviewed, and Approved by NYSSO BOD
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