



COACHES MEETING

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COMPETITION DATE

When: Saturday, January 24, 2026

Times: Team Check-In 7:30 AM – 8:45 AM

Impound between 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Events Begin at 9:00 AM

Where: Plattsburgh Senior High School

Drop off: Parking lot along Rugar Street

ONLINE REGISTRATION

- Hold your spot with a personal check, if needed
- Register by December 31st

SELF-SCHEDULES

- Email Adirondack@newyorkscioly.org for your preferred time slots. First come, first serve.
- Starts on December 8th
- Close on January 9th

B DIVISION	C DIVISION
Boomilever	Boomilever
Circuit Lab	Circuit Lab
Helicopter	Bungee Drop
Hovercraft	Electric Vehicle
Scrambler	Helicopter
Machines	Machines
Mission Possible	Robot Tours
	Bungee Drop

WALK-IN WRITTEN TESTS

- Circuit Lab (Divisions B & C)
- Machines (Divisions B & C)
- Block 2
- ***Multiple teams from one school should take the written test at the same time.***

EVENT SPECIFICS

RULES CLARIFICATIONS

- Please Reference:
 - <https://newyorkscioly.org/events-faqs/>
 - <https://www.soinc.org/events/rules-clarifications>

TEAM CHECK-IN

- 7:30 to 8:45 in the front lobby of Plattsburgh High School
- Bring all forms. Failure to have all forms will disqualify the team from the competition.
 - ☐ Team Roster Form [signed by principal] (1 per team)
 - ☐ Tournament Signature Form (1 per team)
 - ☐ Medical Forms (you will retain these during event) (1 per student)
 - ☐ Student Publicity Release Forms (students **MUST fill this out in order to participate**) (1 per student)
 - ☐ Vandalism Form [signed by principal and coach] (1 per team)

BUSES

- Drop off in parking lot along Rugar Street
- Park in lot further down on Adirondack Lane
- Drivers can stay in the Faculty Lounge
- Pack buses 3:35 – 4:15 PM

WRIST BANDS

- Each team will be given 15 wristbands for student participants. They **MUST** be worn **ON THEIR WRISTS at ALL TIMES.**
- **ALL adults will wear wristbands.**
- Students **WILL NOT** be allowed into an event without their wristbands on their wrists. They will be checked upon entry.
- Wristbands must be placed on by an adult to ensure proper fit
- Go to check-in if there are issues with wrist bands
- B Division = Blue
- C Division = Green

TEAM ROOM

- At least one adult at all times **even if students are not present.**
- All teams should have with them:
 - ☐ Broom and dustpan
 - ☐ Garbage bags
 - ☐ Paper towels and spray cleaner
- Take a picture before settling in the room.
- Return the room to the appropriate condition.
- One adult must wait in the room until it is checked and signed off.
- Do not sit at teacher's desk.
- **NO PRINTER OR COPIER ACCESS!**

TEAM ROOM (CONT.)

Team coaches must ensure that students and adults understand that the rooms being used are classrooms. Therefore, any activities taking place or materials or equipment belonging to the school or its teachers must not be disturbed, destroyed, endangered, or removed.

Non-compliance will result in a team penalty from 5-50 points

IMPOUND

Students can start at 8:00 AM ends at 9 AM

B Division

Event
Hovercraft
Mission Possible
Scrambler

C Division

Event
Hovercraft
Bungee Drop
Electric Vehicle
Robot Tour

- Students should impound goggles, tools, repair kits, logs, etc., as per event rules.
- Label with Division (B or C) and School Name

EVENTS

- Tests are made by state supervisors.
- Follow all of the rules and safety guidelines .
 - Loose-fitting pants, not leggings, as per rules.
 - Safety violations (1-20 points, at discretion of event supervisor).
- Competitors must wear wristbands on their wrists to enter testing room.
- Do not take tests out of the room (5 point penalty, possible DQ).
- Ask first before pulling apart tests.
- Cannot leave room and return.

GLUE

- Glue stations
 - Outside of Gym
 - Outside of Auditorium
- Team penalty points:
 - Found gluing outside of designated glue stations (5 points)
 - Damage from gluing (10 points to DQ from event AND pay for damage)
- Applies to hot glue, CA, epoxy, etc.

ARBITRATION TEAM

- 4 volunteers from different teams.
- Familiar with reading rules.
- Email us if you would like to sit on the Arbitration Team.
- Please provide your phone number so we can text you if we need to look at an appeal.
- Videos are not a part of appeal.

ELECTRONIC USE POLICY

- Calculators - Check the rules manual
 - Many events only allow 4-function calculator, not scientific
- Students should leave the following in the team room:
 - Cell Phones
 - Smart Watches / Wearable Devices
- No electrical outlets guaranteed during events. Make sure laptops are charged if needed.

FAMILIES, COACHES, ADMINISTRATORS

- Refer to Parent Participation guidelines as to what they are allowed to help with
- Must have two adult coaches
- Please make sure all adults have some form of identification

LUNCH

- Required to bring your food to your team room
- Please clean your team room thoroughly after
- Encourage students and adults to bring reusable water bottles and coffee mugs

SPORTSMANSHIP

- Encourage other teams, younger students, etc.
- Many teams allow other teams to borrow items (with an expectation to return those items)
- Don't be afraid to email seasoned coaches with questions

TEAM PHOTOS

- Starting at 3:15 in the Auditorium

TRIVIA BEFORE THE AWARDS CEREMONY

- Starting after Team Photos in the Auditorium
- Multiple-choice responses
- Each team has one Scantron
- Several rounds

AWARDS CEREMONY

- Begins after last events are scored
- Please display your best sportsmanship for all teams
- We will be awarding medals for each event
- Top three teams (of unique schools) receive trophies
- Top two teams (of unique schools) go on to States

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