



Dear Academic Challenge Coach:

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All of this information can be found on the WYSE website at <http://go.illinois.edu/StateFinalsInformation>



Dear Academic Challenge Coach:

Congratulations on reaching the 2017 Academic Challenge State Finals competition! We look forward to seeing you and your students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign campus on one of the following dates:

Division Unlimited	Monday, April 17
Division 1500	Thursday, April 20
Division 700	Wednesday, April 19
Division 300	Tuesday, April 18

****If you are unable to attend your scheduled Division date of testing, we will host an alternative testing for emergency conflicts only on Monday, April 10th from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. This will be an abbreviated day with test one and test two sessions and no awards ceremony. Your answer sheets will be held and not graded until your scheduled Division date. Please contact WYSE immediately and no later than March 31th if you know you need this option at wyse@illinois.edu.**

Registration and Rosters:

You will need to RSVP to state the same as you did for Sectionals. **You will be able to make changes to your roster until the end of day on Wednesday, April 5, at which time the rosters will be locked.**

Venue:

The competition will be held at the I-Hotel and Conference Center located at 1900 South First Street, Champaign. Directions are enclosed.

Late Arrivals to State Finals:

Students must arrive in time to find their seats and listen to instructions. Coaches must arrive in time to listen to instructions and distribute tests to their students. Students who arrive in the testing area with insufficient time to be fully prepared and ready to begin testing at the announced time must wait for the second test period, and will be allowed to take only one test during the second test period. Under no circumstances will provisions be made for students to take the missed exam after the second testing period.



Academic Challenge State Finals Schedule

8:30-9:30	Registration
9:30-10:00	Welcome and test preparation
10:00-10:40	Test period #1
10:40-10:45	Collect exams, answer sheets, and scratch paper
10:45-10:55	Preparation for test period #2
11:00-11:40	Test period #2
11:40-1:30	Free time
1:30-2:15	Awards Ceremony

Competition Rules

- Each varsity team member must take two different tests. Persons advancing to State Finals as Individuals need not take two tests but they are eligible for awards in both exams if they take two.
- Team score is computed exactly the same as for Regional and Sectional competitions.
- There is no penalty for wrong answers.
- You MAY write in the test booklet. Scratch paper will also be provided.
- Students should bring two #2 pencils for marking the answer sheet.
- Proctors will not be allowed to answer questions concerning the test or its interpretation. Questions and/or comments regarding the test are welcome and should be forwarded in writing to the WYSE office.
- Coaches will be asked to leave the test room prior to the start of each test. A separate hospitality room will be available for coaches.
- No radios or cassette/CD players may be used during the test period.

Calculator usage at all levels of the Academic Challenge competition will follow the guidelines used in the ACT, SAT, and PARCC tests. As in past years, calculators are allowed on the math, physics, and chemistry tests only.

- Examinees must bring their own calculators and may not share calculators.
- Only one calculator per student is allowed.
- Each competitor is responsible for his/her own calculator.
- Testing site staff will not have extra batteries or calculators.
- An acceptable calculator includes any four-function, scientific, or graphing calculator, as long as it doesn't have any of the prohibited features (see **prohibited** list below).

The following calculators and types of calculators are prohibited:

- Calculators with built-in computer algebra systems. Calculators in this category include:
 - **Texas Instruments:** All model numbers that begin with **TI-89** or **TI-92**, and the **TI-Nspire CAS** (the non-CAS TI-Nspire is permitted)
 - **Hewlett-Packard:** **HP 48GII** and all model numbers that begin with **HP 40G**, **HP 49G**, and **HP 50G**
 - **Casio:** **Algebra fx 2.0**, **ClassPad 300** and **ClassPad 330**, and all model numbers that begin with **CFX-9970G**
- Handheld, tablet, or laptop computers, including PDAs
- Electronic writing pads or pen-input devices (Sharp EL 9600 is permitted)
- Calculators built into cell phones or other wireless communication devices
- Calculators with a typewriter keypad (QWERTY format)
- Calculators with paper tape and/or that make noise
- Calculators that can communicate wirelessly with other calculators
- Calculators that have power cords

Competitors will be dismissed from the test and their answer sheets not scored if they are found:

- using unauthorized calculators;
- using the calculator's memory to store any test materials;
- using any device to share or exchange information at any time during the tests or during break (All electronic devices, including cellular phones and pagers, must be turned off from the time the competitor is admitted to test until dismissed after testing concludes.);
- removing any part of a test book or any notes relating to the test from the test room;
- creating a disturbance or allowing an alarm, pager, or phone to sound in the testing room.

2017 State Finals Qualifying Scores for Advancement from Sectional to State Finals Competition

Subject	Division	Qualifying Scores
Biology	300	34
	700	35
	1500	39
	Unlimited	42
Chemistry	300	32
	700	34
	1500	36
	Unlimited	38
Computer Science	300	24
	700	26
	1500	26
	Unlimited	26
Engineering Graphics	300	24
	700	30
	1500	30
	Unlimited	30
English	300	62
	700	61
	1500	64
	Unlimited	65
Math	300	21
	700	20
	1500	22
	Unlimited	26
Physics	300	23
	700	23
	1500	26
	Unlimited	27

Directions to the I-Hotel and Conference Center

If you are lost, give us a call at217-244-3517

From North I-57:

Take I-74 Indianapolis Exit #237A. Follow I-74 to Neil Street Exit #182 and turn south on Neil Street. Follow Neil through town to St. Mary's Road and turn left (east). The I-Hotel and Conference Center is located at the intersection of South First Street and St. Mary's Road.

From South I-57:

Take Curtis Road Exit #232 and turn right (east) onto Curtis Road. Follow this until U.S. Route 45/Dunlap Avenue and turn left (north). Follow to Windsor Road and turn right (east). Turn left (north) onto South First Street. The I-Hotel and Conference Center is located at the intersection of South First Street and St. Mary's Road.

From I-72:

Follow I-72 (University Avenue) through Champaign. Turn right (south) onto Neil Street. Turn left (east) onto St. Mary's Road. The I-Hotel and Conference Center is located at the intersection of South First Street and St. Mary's Road.

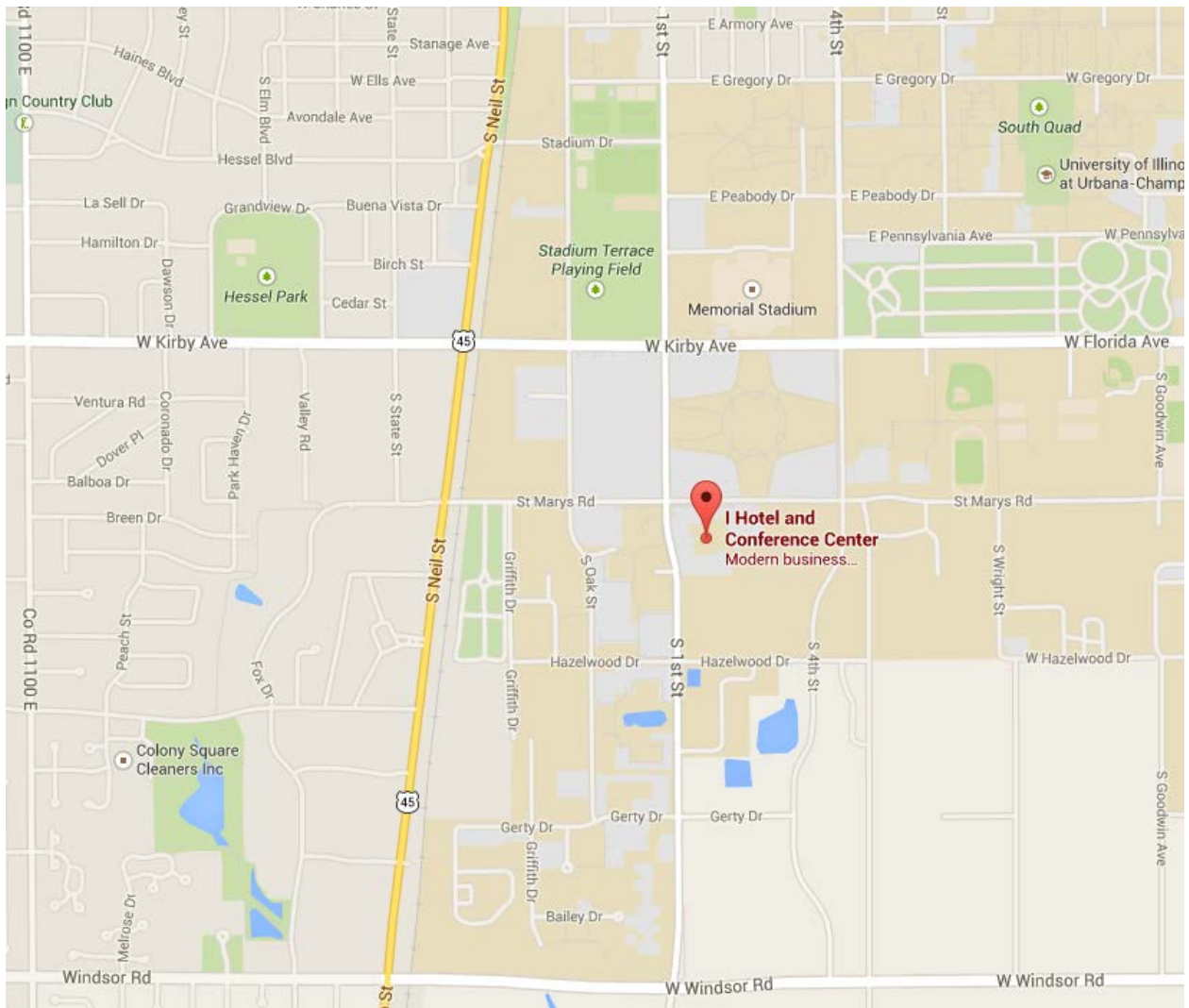
From I-74:

Take Neil Street Exit #182 and turn south onto Neil Street. Follow Neil through town to St. Mary's Road and turn left (east). The I-Hotel and Conference Center is located at the intersection of South First Street and St. Mary's Road.

The I-Hotel and Conference Center is across the street from State Farm Center on South First Street.


Parking:

Cars and vans will be able to park in the Conference Center parking lot. Buses will be able to park in the south end of Lot E14, across the street from the I-Hotel and Conference Center.



Partial List of Hotels in the Champaign/Urbana Area

**I-Hotel has discounted rooms blocked for the WYSE State Competition. Please call 217-819-5000 and mention you are attending WYSE State to confirm a room.

 HOTEL & MOTELS	
HOTEL / MOTEL	PHONE (217 AREA CODE)
CHAMPAIGN	
1 - Baymont Inn & Suites, 302 W. Anthony Dr.	356-8900
2 - Quality Inn, 305 Marketview Dr.	352-4055
3 - Country Inn & Suites, 602 W. Mktview Dr.	355-6666
4 - Courtyard by Marriott, 1811 Moreland Blvd.	355-0411
5 - Days Inn, 1019 Bloomington Rd.	356-6873
6 - Econo Lodge, 914 W. Bloomington Rd.	356-6000
7 - Extended Stay America, 610 W. Mktview Dr.	351-8899
8 - Fairfield Inn/Marriott, 1807 Moreland Blvd.	355-0604
9 - Hawthorn Suites, 101 Trade Center Dr.	398-3400
10 - Hilton Garden Inn, 1501 S. Neil St.	352-9970
11 - Homewood Suites, 1417 S. Neil St.	352-9960
12 - I Hotel & Conference Ctr, 1900 S. First St.	819-5000
13 - La Quinta Inn, 1900 Center Dr.	356-4000
14 - Microtel Inn, 1615 Rion Dr.	398-4136
15 - Red Roof Inn, 212 W. Anthony Dr.	352-0101
16 - Super 8 Motel, 202 W. Marketview Dr.	359-2388
17 - Wingate, 516 W. Marketview Dr.	355-5566
18 - Candlewood Suites, 1917 Moreland Blvd.	398-1000
URBANA	
19 - America's Best Inn & Suites, 409 W. University Ave.	531-2493
20 - Eastland Suites, 1907 N. Cunningham Ave.	367-8331
21 - Hampton Inn, 1200 W. University Ave.	337-1100
22 - Holiday Inn Hotel, 1001 Killarney St.	328-7900
23 - Holiday Inn Express, 1003 Killarney St.	328-0328
24 - Illini Union, 1401 W. Green St.	333-1241
25 - Lincoln Lodge, 403 W. University Ave.	367-1111
26 - Manor Motel, 1102 N. Cunningham Ave.	367-5427
27 - Motel 6, 1906 N. Cunningham Ave.	344-1085
28 - Ramada, 902 W. Killarney St.	328-4400
29 - Sleep Inn, 1908 N. Lincoln Ave.	367-6000
30 - Super 8 Motel, 612 Killarney St.	384-8000

T-SHIRT ORDER FORM Academic

Challenge State Finals 2017

State Finals t-shirts will be available only to those who pre-order them. If you wish to purchase State Finals t-shirts, please place your order with us **by Friday, March 31, 2017.** Payment is not required until the day of your competition.

Coach's Name _____

School Name _____

Division (circle one) 300 700 1500 Unlimited

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

SIZE	S	M	L	XL	XXL
QUANTITY					
COST @ \$12 each					
				TOTAL COST	

An electronic version of this form can be completed online at

<https://my.engr.illinois.edu/eventreg/register.asp>

If you wish to mail this form together with payment, make checks payable to the University of Illinois and mail to:

WYSE
210 Engineering Hall
1308 W. Green Street
Urbana, IL 61801

Remember: Orders must be received by Friday, March 31, in order to guarantee that you will be able to purchase a t-shirt.