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Discipline report: _____

Fulton Science Academy
2016-2017 Science Olympiad Team
Application and Event Interest Form

Student Name: _____ Grade: 6 7 8 9 10 (circle)

Homeroom Teacher: _____ Math Level this year _____

Student E-Mail Address: _____

Tell Us About Yourself -- (To be completed by the Student!)

1. Why do you want to join the Science Olympiad team?
2. What assets or special talents do you have that will benefit the team?
3. What other after school programs or activities are you interested in trying out for? *Please note: You can apply for as many teams as you wish, but you will only be selected for a maximum of TWO Academic Teams and you cannot participate in both Robotics and Science Olympiad.*

Academic Teams – rank with #1 being the team you most want to participate in

Team	Rank	Team	Rank	Team	Rank
Math Olympiad	_____	Science Olympiad	_____	Robotics	_____
Future City	_____	Destination Imagination	_____	Tech Fair	_____
Model UN	_____				

Other School Activities – check all those you plan to participate in

Activity	Activity	Activity
_____ Band	_____ Yearbook	_____ Drama
_____ Orchestra	_____ Literary Magazine	_____ Sports _____

4. Which category best describes you? (Circle the number 1-5 that best fits how you feel about each category
1= Dislike very much 5= Do this very well)
 - a. I like to work alone on projects **1 2 3 4 5**
 - b. I like to work in groups on projects **1 2 3 4 5**
 - c. I like to do research on my own. **1 2 3 4 5**
 - d. I am able to study topics without being told to. **1 2 3 4 5**
 - e. I can start things/projects without having to be directed or guided through them. **1 2 3 4 5**
 - f. I can use resources to find information that I do not know. **1 2 3 4 5**

Time Commitment, Availability, and Scheduling

(To be completed by the student and Parent!)

What other **non-school** activities do you participate in (e.g., sports, music, etc.) _____

Are you available for classes, team meetings, field trips, and tournaments on Saturdays? _____

Several event coaches hold their classes after school until 4:30 or 5:30 PM. List any weekdays when you would not be available at these times: _____

Parent Information:

(To be completed by the Student and Parent)

May we publish your e-mail address and phone numbers on a team roster? _____

Successful Science Olympiad teams have a lot of parent support. There are numerous opportunities for parents to help their child's team and parents are strongly encouraged to help out in as many ways as possible. **Please indicate the ways in which you can support our team:**

_____ Coach an event

_____ Drive students to a field trip or tournament

_____ Fund Raising (organize a hat day, pizza lunch, ice cream day, etc.)

_____ Design and order team shirts

_____ Snack organizers for practices and competitions

_____ Arrange guest speakers and/or field trips

_____ Other: _____

Dues

Dues for Science Olympiad are \$150 per student. This includes your team shirt. Checks should be made payable to Fulton Science Academy Private School. Please write “Science Olympiad Dues” on the Memo line. **Travel and tournament expenses are not covered by these dues.**

Additional Considerations:

Some things parents and students should consider when deciding whether to participate in Science Olympiad:

1. Science Olympiad requires a lot of dedication. Team members are required to study a minimum of 4 academic events. Students are expected to work on their events outside of Science Olympiad classes.
2. According to Science Olympiad rules, each team can have a maximum of fifteen students. In some tournaments we may enter more than one team. Only one team can compete in the State Tournament.
3. Sixth graders will compete in invitational and regional tournaments. Few, if any, sixth graders will make the State Tournament Team; however, the experience gained by participating in Science Olympiad during 6th grade tends to make them valued members of the team in 7th, 8th and 9th grades.
4. Students do best in events that they select and which interest them most. So-called “medical events” are extremely competitive and require intense study to do well. Regardless of the events you choose, you will learn a lot of science.
5. Every effort is made to match students with events that interest them. Tournament scheduling constraints and conflicts sometimes prevent students from competing in a favorite event. In all cases, competition schedules are designed to maximize team performance.

Competition Dates:

Check the dates below and mark your calendars. **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE AVAILABLE ON THESE COMPETITION DATES.**

November 5, 2016	UGA HS Invitational – 1 team grades 8-10
November 12, 2016	FSA MS Invitational – Alpharetta -All SO Students grades 6-9
December 10, 2016	Chattahoochee MS Invitational – Johns Creek – 2 or 3 teams
January 6&7 or 13&14, 2017	Friendship Christian MS Invitational, Lebanon, TN. -2 or 3 teams
January 21, 2015	Dodgen MS Invitational – Marietta, GA -1 or 2 teams
January 27-29, 2017	Wright State Invitational – Dayton, OH 2 MS Teams/1 HS Team
February TBA, 2017	MS Regional Tournament – University of North Georgia, Gainesville, GA
February/March TBA, 2017	HS Regional Tournament – Location TBA
March TBA, 2017	MS State Tournament – Location TBA
March/April TBA, 2017	HS State Tournament – Emory University
May 15-16, 2017	National Tournament – Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio

Terms and Conditions:

1. Science Olympiad Team decisions are made by the SO Committee that consists of Science teachers, school administrators, and other FSA personnel. Event coaches will provide feedback on individual student performance but there will be no parents involved in final decision making process.
2. Students' Science, Math and standardized test scores and disciplinary records will be reviewed during the team selection process.
3. Team success is the priority over individual success.
4. Previous experience in Science Olympiad does not guarantee placement on the team. The number of qualified applicants, coaches, room restrictions, and official Science Olympiad rules will determine the size of the team.
5. Although some students are permitted to participate in other activities and Academic Teams, priority must be given to Science Olympiad if accepted. After school activities including clubs, sports competitions, Scouts and such cannot replace Science Olympiad weekday or weekend activities.
6. All school rules are in effect for all Science Olympiad activities whether on or off campus. Students must respect our equipment and clean up after themselves. Disrespect of teammates, coaches, and/or property will not be tolerated. Be considerate of event coaches – they are volunteering their time. Students can be removed from the team for poor behavior!
7. 7th grade students participating in Duke TIP should take the December 3rd ACT test.

I have read, understand, and agree to the above conditions.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Questions?

Contact head coaches Mrs. Stathos (gstathos@fultonscienceacademy.org), or Mrs. Walsh (pwalsh@fultonscienceacademy.org)

Return completed forms to Mrs. Stathos in the Media Center or Mrs. Walsh in the Front Office no later than Thursday, August 11 at 4:30 PM

Fulton Science Academy Academic Teams Policies and Procedures

Fulton Science Academy Academic Teams include Model UN, Science Olympiad, Destination Imagination, Robotics, Math Olympiad, Future Cities, and Tech Fair. These teams are highly-competitive, national-caliber teams requiring much dedication and support from teachers, students, and parents. Placement on an Academic Team is a privilege reserved for students in good academic standing and of high moral character.

Before families commit to membership on an Academic Team, they should be aware of the following expectations:

1. Students may apply for membership on a maximum of two Academic Teams.
2. Selection for membership on an Academic Team is based on academic performance, prior experience, potential, commitment, and enthusiasm. Selection for a team will be at the discretion of the head coach(es). Not all students will be accepted.
3. Dues for each Academic Team are \$150 per student per team. Students who are members of more than one Academic Team must pay \$150 for each team.
4. Additional fees may be required for competition registration fees, travel, and miscellaneous expenses.
5. Acceptance on an Academic Team does not guarantee a spot in any or all competitions. Rosters for competitions are at the discretion of the head coach(es). In all cases, FSA will place team success over individual placement.
6. Parents are expected to support the team and their student through encouragement and volunteering.
7. Parents are expected to get their students to and from practices and competitions on time.
8. Academic team members are expected to represent Fulton Science Academy in a positive manner, displaying good sportsmanship and conduct at all times, whether on or off campus.
9. All school rules are in effect for all Academic Team activities at all times, whether on or off campus.
10. Students and parents must demonstrate respect for all teammates, competitors, volunteers, coaches, judges, and officials.
11. Students are expected to comply with all instructions from coaches and officials.
12. Students are expected to respect all equipment, materials, and property regardless of ownership.
13. Safety is a priority. Horseplay and abuse of equipment or facilities will not be tolerated.
14. Class work is a priority. Students are expected to remain in good academic standing in all of their classes. **Unexcused missing assignments and/or a failing average for a class** (below 70) will prevent a student from competing in a tournament.
15. **Students who receive and Out of School Suspension or accumulate three days of In School Suspension over the course of the year will be terminated from the team.**
16. Absences from school for academic competitions are excused absences. Any classwork or homework must be made up in accordance with the school policy for excused absences.

Failure to comply with these expectations is grounds for disciplinary action, including, but not limited to dismissal from the team.

I have read, understand, and will comply with the Academic Teams Policies and Procedures. I understand that it is a privilege and an honor to be part of a Fulton Science Academy Academic Team and the importance of representing FSA in a positive manner and not projecting a negative image about myself, my team, or my school.

Student Name (print)

Student Signature

As a parent of a team member, I have read and understand the Academic Teams and will guide and encourage my child to abide by it.

Parent Name (print)

Parent Signature