



# TKMS Science Olympiad

## Links to Check Out

### TKSO Website

(<http://www.tkschools.org/tkso/pages/default.aspx>)

### Science Olympiad Official Website

([www.soinc.org](http://www.soinc.org))

### Michigan Science Olympiad Website

([www.michiganso.org](http://www.michiganso.org))

Sciences, Mechanical Engineering and/or Technology.

**Translation:** there are events that focus on all the areas of science you have studied and areas you haven't. If you like to build things...WE NEED YOU!

## Common Questions and the Answers

### **What is Science Olympiad?**

The Science Olympiad is an international nonprofit organization devoted to improving the quality of science education and increasing student interest in science and technology.

**Translation:** it's a fun way to enjoy science/technology with your friends and be competitive too!

### **What do students do as part of a Science Olympiad Team?**

Students work on a team (with a partner) to compete in events in all areas of science, engineering and technology based on their skills and area(s) of expertise. Getting ready for competition depends on the student(s) and coach. Meetings can range from once to twice a week and take place after school for about 1 hour.

### **What is a tournament/competition like?**

Competitions are like an academic track meet consisting of 23 events ranging from paper/pencil tests to lab stations to building and running a robot or car. A rule book containing information for each event is received by the team in advance so they can prepare for the events they will be competing in.

### **What is the main focus of Science Olympiad?**

The focus is on knowledge and application of knowledge in the areas of Life, Earth and Physical

**Bottom Line: If you like science, building things, figuring things out, are curious and want to be competitive...**

**Science Olympiad just might be for you!**

**Come to the first meeting and check it out!!**

## Info for Parents

### Ways to Get Involved

#### *Volunteer*

We welcome volunteers! If you have some time and the desire to work with a pair of students on an event, please feel free to contact any either of the coaches and they will get you started

#### *Donate*

Science Olympiad is a 503(c)(3) non-profit organization; your donation is tax-deductible. If you would like to donate to our program, feel free to send your donation to our Treasurer; Liz Ritsema, TKSO; Thornapple Kellogg High School, 3885 Bender Rd., Middleville, MI 49333; or contact Shana McCrumb at [tkso@tkschools.org](mailto:tkso@tkschools.org) for assistance.

#### *Corporate Sponsorship*

We are currently looking for sponsors. Running a successful program requires attending practice tournaments and buying supplies; both of which can be pricey. If your business would like to sponsor an event, please contact Shana McCrumb at [tkso@tkschools.org](mailto:tkso@tkschools.org) for more information.