



# Student Astronaut Challenge

## Regional Testing Guidelines

Students will compete as a five person team, each individually taking a different version of the test and then the team score will be calculated as the average score of the team members. All tests will use a "Scantron" style answer form and will be electronically graded. The test will begin promptly at 9:00 AM and students will be **required** to bring their own number 2 pencil. A limited supply of pencils **may** be available at the testing site.

Students will be given 90 minutes to take the exam. Since this is a voluntary competition based exam additional time will not be permitted for any reason and no modifications can be provided for testing. No reference material or electronic devices will be permitted at the regional testing site and no calculators will be needed.

The Middle School regional competition (grades 6-8) will consist of a 50 multiple choice question test based on following chapters from the Student Astronaut Challenge 2017 student textbook:

- Chapter 1 History of Rocketry
- Chapter 2 Basic Concepts of Orbital Space flight
- Chapter 7 Space Shuttle Operations
- Chapter 8 Emergency Operation Management
- Chapter 9 The Future of Space Propulsion

The High School regional competition (grades 9-12) will consist of a 100 multiple choice question test based on all chapters (1-9) including the Glossary of Essential Terms from the Student Astronaut Challenge 2017 student textbook.

After each team is scored they will be ranked according to their average composite score by region. Only one team, from any single school, may qualify for the state competition. Any team that did not qualify for a designated regional slot may be eligible for selection as a "wild card" team.

The final ranking for the Regional Competition will be posted, by region, on the Astronaut Challenge website ([www.astronautchallenge.com](http://www.astronautchallenge.com)). The Student Astronaut Challenge **DOES NOT** publish scores or provide feedback on individual student/team performance. Please do not contact the competition staff requesting this information, no exceptions will be made. After all test scores are verified, all tests are kept on file for fourteen days and then immediately destroyed. Only authorized Student Astronaut Challenge staff members are permitted to view completed testing material.

To register go to the **Regional Application** section of the Main Menu on the astronaut challenge website at [astronautchallenge.com](http://astronautchallenge.com).