



# 2024 GENERAL SCIENCE COMPETITION

## Information Booklet

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## ***2024 General Science Competition Information:***

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***Who:*** Any secondary school student attending a high school in the Ottawa-Gatineau region is eligible to write the 2024 General Science Competition

***When:*** The competition date is **Tuesday, May 7th, 2024 at 7pm EST.**

***What:*** The 2024 General Science Competition is a science competition. Entry is free to all students. Scholarships will be awarded; please see “Prize Information” (page 4) for more details.

The competition will be composed of three sections, each containing a different discipline (Biology, Chemistry and Physics). Students will be asked to complete two of the three sections. Each one contains 20 questions, totaling 40 multiple choice questions for two sections.

Each student has a total of **60 minutes** (1 hour) to complete the competition.

The questions are prepared by students enrolled in the Faculty of Science, and are reviewed by members of the Faculty of Science at the University of Ottawa.

***Where:*** The competition will be held online via Google Forms and proctored through Zoom. Competitors will be asked to sign in with their proctor 20 minutes before the start of the competition.

***How:*** In order to compete in the 2024 General Science Competition, STUDENTS must register via this link: <https://forms.gle/xosxCdK7uzKZ2t8C6> by **Friday, April 19<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**

## *General Instructions*

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### ***Registration:***

If you are interested in registering for the 2024 General Science Competition, please fill out the form in this link:

<https://forms.gle/xosxCdK7uzKZ2t8C6>

Once submitted, we will confirm the registration by email at a later date. Deadline to register is April 19th, 2024.

### ***Before the competition:***

Students must join the Zoom call 20 minutes before the beginning of the competition to sign in with their proctor.

### ***During the competition:***

The Zoom meeting will be recorded during the competition. Students are NOT allowed to ask questions during the competition. Students will be muted for the duration of the call. This test is open-book and students will be allowed to access the internet and use any print materials. However, students must complete the competition individually and cannot seek outside assistance from other persons.

A 5 minute and a 1 minute warning will be given before the end of the competition. Students must submit their Google form by 8:00pm EST, a 1 minute grace period will be given.

### ***After the competition:***

The scores will be reviewed and the top 3 scoring students will be notified by email on Monday, May 27th, 2024.

The final score will be calculated as follows: Each correctly answered question is worth 1 point. Each incorrectly answered question will contribute a half mark deduction. No points will be awarded or deducted for unanswered questions. The rankings will be determined by the final score.

## ***Prize Information***

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### **Admission Scholarship:**

The University of Ottawa's Faculty of Science will be awarding admission scholarships for the winners of the 2024 General Science Competition. A total of \$7,000 in non-renewable first year admission scholarships will be awarded. \$3,500 of the \$7,000 will be awarded to English school contestants.

The total prize amount will be divided as follows: \$2,000 for first place, \$1,000 for second place, and \$500 for third place. The rankings will be determined by the final score. In the event of a tie, the time of the last form submission will be used as a tiebreaker. If there is a tie for first place, the first and second place scholarships will be decided based on awarding first place to the student who submitted their last form first between the tied students. The next highest ranked student will receive the third place scholarship. In the event of a second place tie or a third place tie, the scholarships will be divided accordingly.

### **Eligibility for Admission Scholarships:**

In order to be eligible to receive the non-renewable first year admission scholarship, the winners must be accepted and enroll in a program within the **Faculty of Science at the University of Ottawa**.

The winners must also notify uEducate by email of the acceptance of the admission scholarship **AND** accept the conditional offer of admission from the University of Ottawa by **June 1st, 2024** (if applicable).

Upon confirmation of registration at the University of Ottawa, the admission scholarship will be credited to the account of the winners. Students may defer the acceptance of their scholarship if they are not graduating from secondary school at the end of 2024.

***\* The Faculty of Science will make the final decision on the awarding of the scholarship prizes as such the terms of eligibility are subject to change.***

The 2024 General Science Competition results are **independent** from the University of Ottawa admission process.