

If possible the sample Contest Announcement and Results Announcement news releases should be prepared and distributed to the newspapers, radio and television stations in your region. See the AMC website, or the 2008 Summary of Results for statistics and figures from the the 2008 contest. Statistics and figures for the 2009 Contest will be available on our website in early 2010.

(School or School District)

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(School) STUDENTS INVITED TO WORLD-WIDE COMPETITION

(#) students at (School) participated in the 25th annual American Mathematics Competitions 8, held on Tuesday, November 17, 2009. They competed for local and national student and school awards. The contest, which covers middle school mathematics, is given at participating schools. Its purpose is to spur interest in mathematics and develop talent through the excitement of friendly competition at problem solving in a timed format. In 2008 over 170,000 students from over 2,300 schools participated in the AMC 8 contest including (#) students from (#) schools in (State).

The AMC 8, first offered in 1985, is an annual project sponsored by The Mathematical Association of America, and is located at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln. The AMC receives support from the Akamai Foundation, Academy of Applied Sciences, American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges, American Mathematical Society, American Statistical Association, Art of Problem Solving, Awesome Math, Canada/USA Mathcamp, Casualty Actuarial Society, IDEA Math, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences, MathPath, Math Zoom Academy, Mu Alpha Theta, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Pi Mu Epsilon, Society of Actuaries, U. S. A. Math Talent Search, W. H. Freeman and Company, Wolfram Research Inc. The Contest is given across the U.S.A., Canada, and in many schools abroad.

Details concerning the 2009-2010 AMC contests for Middle School and High School are available on the AMC web site: www.unl.edu/amc/. Entries for the 2010 contest close on February 3, 2010 for the February 9th exam, and on February 18, 2010 for the February 24th contest.

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