

## The MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

## American Mathematics Competitions



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To All AMC 8 Managers:

Welcome to the eighteenth annual American Mathematics Competitions' AMC 8. A review of the upcoming contest assures me that your students will find the 2002 AMC 8 to be an excellent learning experience.

I am pleased to announce that, again this year, the Committee on the American Mathematics Competitions (CAMC) has approved a "window" which will enable schools to participate officially in case of a school closing or an academic conflict with the official scheduled date. The alternate "window" dates are November 20, 21,22, 25 and 26. Further rules governing the use of the "window" are found on page 3 of this manual.

Last year, the "LDTTH MAT SLIFTL" Award, which recognized distinguished mathematics teaching, was given regionally to fifty-six "Sponsoring Teachers" from high scoring AMC 8 schools. I am pleased to inform you that this program will be continued in 2002. Further details for nominating a teacher from your school can be found on page 13.

If this is the first year you have administered the AMC 8, please take a moment to thoroughly read this manual so that there will be no questions regarding rules and regulations. Several days before the contest date fill out the School Identification Form and have the students complete the non-answer sections of the Answer Form (See Sections IV. and V., pages 2 and 3).

We will make every effort to process your results as rapidly as possible. Please make one final check of the materials you send to me. I anticipate that most schools will receive their results before the holiday break.

On behalf of the Committee on the American Mathematics Competitions, I send my appreciation to you for all of your help associated with the coordination of this contest.

Very sincerely,

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