

Newport High School  
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Dear Math Team Coach,

Newport Math Club cordially invites your math team to the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Knights of Pi Math Tournament at Newport High School on Saturday, December 12, 2009. This competition is designed for 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> graders, although younger students who are mathematically motivated are welcome to participate as well.

The Knights of Pi Math Tournament provides a valuable and fun opportunity for students to improve their skills in a variety of math subject areas both individually and in teams of four. We hope that you will bring your math students to our tournament in order to take advantage of this opportunity for them to demonstrate what they have learned and to develop their problem-solving abilities.

A tentative [schedule of events](#) is available on our website. Following an individual test covering all topics, team rounds will focus on various subject areas, including algebra, geometry, probability, operations, mental math, and speed math. This year we will have a new round called “Joust!” where competitors will race to complete several challenge events.

Though the tests are challenging, we hope they will be fun for everyone. We have also included some easy questions on each test so that new competitors can develop their confidence without getting discouraged. The test formats have been adjusted slightly from last year based on feedback received from coaches. Awards will be given to the top teams and individual scorers in each grade level. In addition, the top competitors at each school will be recognized, and all participating students will receive certificates.

The registration fee to participate in this contest is \$40 for a team of four. Each team will compete at a certain grade level: 5, 6, 7, or 8. Students may challenge themselves by competing in a higher grade level, but they may not drop down to a lower level. As the coach, you will receive copies of all the tests and answer keys after the competition. We recommend that you use these to practice and follow up on students’ experiences at the contest.

**To register for the contest, simply follow the directions online at [www.newportmathclub.org/kpmt](http://www.newportmathclub.org/kpmt).** Please create an account for your school as soon as possible to receive updated information as changes arise. Once you have registered your school, you can come back and log in at a later time to register teams and enter the names and grade levels of your competitors.

The team registration deadline is November 20, 2009. All teams entered online by this deadline will be charged a \$40 fee, while teams registered after that date will be charged \$48 each. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us by email at [kpmt@newportmathclub.org](mailto:kpmt@newportmathclub.org).

	Fee	Register Teams by:	Enter Students’ Names by:
<b>Normal Registration</b>	<b>\$40 / team</b>	<b>Fri. November 20</b>	<b>Sat. December 5</b>
<b>Late Registration</b>	<b>\$48 / team</b>	<b>Sat. December 5</b>	<b>Sat. December 5</b>

Thank you for providing this opportunity for your students to compete. The skills they are developing will benefit them throughout their lives. We are looking forward to seeing you at the tournament!

Sincerely,

Newport Math Club