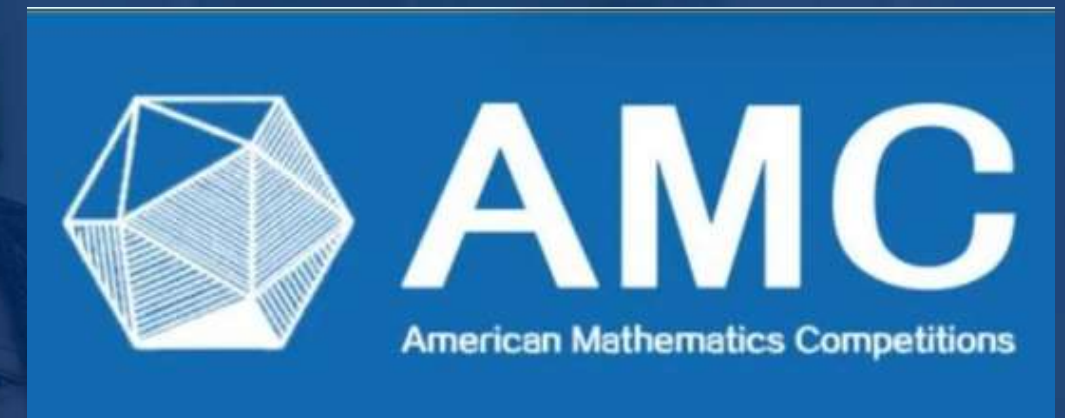


AMC 8/10/12



AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

**INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION FOR MIDDLE & HIGH
SCHOOLERS**

- **The American Mathematics Competitions (AMC) began in 1950 and is organized by the Mathematical Association of America.**
- **It is one of the most recognized math contests for middle and high school students in the U.S. and worldwide.**
- **AMC offers levels for different grades: AMC 8, AMC 10, and AMC 12.**
- **Top scorers advance to higher rounds like the AIME, USAJMO, USAMO, and International Math Olympiad.**

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Why Math Contest?



- Enhances readiness for premier colleges
- Builds confidence in math and strengthens problem-solving skills
- Provides international recognition and fosters a lifelong interest in math
- Encourages collaboration with like-minded, math-passionate peers
- Boosts academic profiles to stand out on applications and qualify for scholarships

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Competition Format



- **Format:** Administered once a year, available in-person (paper) or online through registered competition centers.
- **AMC 8:** 25 multiple-choice questions, 40 minutes, for grades 6–8.
- **AMC 10 & 12:** 25 multiple-choice questions, 75 minutes, for high school students (AMC 10 for grades 10 & below; AMC 12 for grades 12 & below).

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AMC 8 \rightarrow AMC 10 \rightarrow AMC 12

Feature	AMC 8	AMC 10	AMC 12
Type	Individual	Individual	Individual
Questions	25 Q, 40 min	25 Q, 75 min	25 Q, 75 min
Eligibility	\leq Grade 8, under 15.5 yrs	\leq Grade 10, under 17.5 yrs	\leq Grade 12, under 19.5 yrs
Content	Middle school math	Algebra, geometry, number theory, prob	Full HS math incl. trig & advanced algebra
When	January	November (A & B dates)	November (A & B dates)
Next Step	Leads to AMC 10	Leads to AMC 12 & AIME	Leads to AIME \rightarrow USA(J)MO \rightarrow IMO

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Registration



- **Where to Register:** Students register through their school, learning center, or an official AMC competition site (maa.org/amcreg)
- **Individual Registration:** If a school does not host AMC, families can sign up via online or local testing centers.
- **Timeline:** Registration typically opens in late summer/early fall and closes a few weeks before the contest date.
- **Fees:** Vary by testing site (generally between \$10–\$25 per student).
- **Test Dates:** Held once a year — AMC 8 in January, AMC 10/12 in November.

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Scoring & Awards



Scoring

- **AMC 8:** 25 multiple-choice questions, 1 point each (max score = 25).
- **AMC 10/12:** 25 multiple-choice questions, 6 points for each correct answer, 0 points for blanks, and 1.5 points for wrong answers (max score = 150).
- No penalty for skipping a question (better to leave blank than guess wrong).

Awards

- **Honor Roll:** Students with top scores nationally.
- **Distinguished Honor Roll:** Very top scorers (usually top 1%).
- **Achievement Roll:** High scores by students below the grade limit (younger participants doing well).
- **School Awards:** Certificates for top-performing students within each school.
- **Advancement:** High scorers on AMC 10/12 qualify for the AIME.

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Rules



- **Calculators, Notes, books, electronic devices are not permitted.**
- **Answers should be clearly written, bubble sheet (Scantron) answers only.**
- **Contests must be administered within the designated windows; no early or late administrations are allowed.**
- **Students must work independently without help.**

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Topics



AMC 8 :

- **Counting & probability**
- **Estimation & proportional reasoning**
- **Geometry (incl. Pythagorean Theorem)**
- **Graphs, tables, data interpretation & Early algebra**

AMC10A&10B:

- **Elementary algebra & geometry**
- **Elementary number theory & Basic probability**

AMC 12A&12B:

- **Advanced algebra**
- **Geometry & trigonometry**

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Resources



- **Official AMC Website (MAA) – Practice problems, past papers, and guidelines.**
- **Art of Problem Solving (AoPS) – Books and discussion forums for AMC-level math.**
- **Past AMC Exams – Free PDFs available on the MAA site and AoPS archives.**
- **Competition Math Books – Competition Math for Middle School and Introduction to Counting & Probability (AoPS).**
- **Online Problem Banks – Alcumus (AoPS), Brilliant.org, and other math challenge platforms.**

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THANK YOU!