



United States Academic Pentathlon[®] Nationals, Phoenix, AZ May 16-18, 2024

Congratulations on achieving the honor of representing your state at the U.S. Academic Pentathlon 2024 Nationals in Phoenix, AZ. USAP staff and volunteers in AZ are working hard to make this a very enjoyable competition. All registration documents and competition information are included in this document.

The 2024 National Finals will have the following components:

- 1. On-site competition** – Teams must have competed and won in their state competition as either an all-8th grade team, all-7th grade team, all-6th, or a combined team. Combined teams will compete at the level of the highest student on the team. **The National Champions will be awarded to the highest-scoring 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade teams competing in AZ.** Invited teams and individual students are also eligible to compete in the competition in AZ.
- 2. Online competition** – All Pentathlon teams not competing in AZ are eligible to compete in the online competition regardless of how they placed in their state. The following forms will indicate if you need to submit them if you are an online team. Recognition will be given to students scoring in the top three for each event per academic level, the top three overall per academic level, and the top three schools based on team scoring standards. Like the on-site competition, individual students are eligible to compete.

Registration will be at the Hilton Phoenix Resort at The Peak on Thursday evening, May 16, 2024. Testing events will begin on Friday, May 17, 2024, with objective tests at 8:30 a.m. The Awards Ceremony will be on Saturday, May 18, 2024.

Team and individual rosters are due **April 11, 2024**. All forms and payments **MUST** be received by **April 24, 2024**. ALL FORMS MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED LEGIBLY. Names of students will appear on all documentation as they appear on the Team Verification form.

NOTE: Be advised that it is very important for teams to comply with the deadlines so that preparation for the competition can be done in a timely manner.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: This year's host hotel is the [Hilton Phoenix Resort At The Point](#), 7677 N. 16th Street Phoenix, AZ 85020. Students will stay in double rooms, there must be at least one chaperone for every 15 students. The cost is \$199/night plus tax. **Please use the following link to make your reservations.**

[Book your group rate for US Academic Pentathlon](#)

Reservations must be made by April 24, 2024. Each team will be responsible for payment of their rooms and other incidentals. All team keys and room assignments will be given to the coach upon check-in.

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation is on your own; the hotel does not provide an airport shuttle. Uber and Lyft are popular methods of transportation to the hotel. Rental cars or vans are available. If renting a car/van at the airport and driving to the hotel, self-parking is included in the resort fee.

REGISTRATION & IDENTIFICATION:

On-site competition: There is a \$450.00 registration fee per on-site team and must be paid prior to the competition. Individual competitors will have a \$125.00 registration fee and must be paid prior to the competition. All on-site testing will be held in the Anasazi Ballroom at the Hilton Phoenix Resort at The Point.

Online competition: A \$250.00 registration fee per online team must be paid before the competition. Individual competitors will have a \$60 registration fee, which must be paid before the competition.

On-site teams **MUST** check in your team on Thursday, May 16, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm or Friday, May 17, from 7-8 am at the registration desk in the Anasazi Lobby. Teams arriving before Friday, May 17, **SHOULD** plan to check in Thursday evening to leave the later times for teams arriving on Friday; teams that do not check in early may be asked to wait until other teams have checked in. **The official USAP identification badge (issued to students upon registration) must be worn at all times during competition times.** COACHES MUST CARRY MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS FOR TEAM MEMBERS.

Tickets: Tickets will be provided for up to nine team members and one coach for breakfast and the team celebration event. Team tickets will be provided in your registration packet when you check in. You will receive one complimentary coach ticket and participant tickets corresponding with the number on your official roster. The team coach must pick up all team tickets during registration. Complete the [“Extras”](#) form for extra coaches, students, or guests. Teams are responsible for all other meals and snacks.

Essay: The essay for both on-site and online competitions will take place online prior to the competition in Phoenix, AZ. This event will be held April 18, 2024, the testing window will be open from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Central Daylight time. You will need to reserve a computer lab at your school, library, or other venue. An administrator (not the team coach) will need to oversee the online competition. **Internet Explorer and Google Chrome are the only browsers that may be used for the Essay and online testing. Please contact your school’s IT department and make sure the following address is on the school’s “safe” list: <https://usad.enlyght.com>.**

Online Competition Testing: Online testing will be held on Friday, May 17, 2024, starting at 10:05 a.m. CDT. You will need to reserve a computer lab at your school, library, or other venue. An administrator (not the team coach) will need to oversee the online competition. Please refer to the Competition Schedule for test and break times. **Internet Explorer and Google Chrome are the only browsers that may be used for the Essay and online testing. Please contact your school’s IT department and make sure the following address is on the school’s “safe” list: <https://usad.enlyght.com>.**

Results: Scores will NOT be posted during the competition. At the conclusion of the awards ceremony, coaches will receive an email with their unofficial team results and the overall report. Official results will be posted on the USAD website following the event.

Awards Ceremony: The Awards Ceremony will be held in the Anasazi Ballroom at the Hilton Phoenix Resort at The Point. There will be assigned seating for all attendees. Up to nine team members and one coach may be seated at the table. Tickets will be available for pickup during registration. You will receive one coach ticket and participant tickets corresponding with the number on your official roster. Additional tickets may be purchased through the **“Extras” form**. All parents and other visitors from your state who are planning to attend the awards ceremony should make their reservations through the **“Extras” form**. Tickets are complimentary but are required to enter the ballroom.

Dress: Publicity pictures, news coverage, and video productions are commonplace at U.S. Academic Pentathlon events. Participants and coaches are expected to dress in good taste and in accordance with the Code of Conduct. The average weather in Phoenix in May is between 67-94°.

Student Behavior: All participants are expected to demonstrate appropriate behavior for U.S. Academic Pentathlon events and in keeping with the U.S. Academic Pentathlon Code of Conduct. Coaches are the official chaperones for the team members at all activities and are directly responsible for supervising the behavior of their team members. All students are expected to read and understand the Code of Conduct and take responsibility for their behavior to help avoid any unpleasant incidents that may mar the event's success or negatively affect the representation of your school and community. Teams and pentathletes should be aware that the failure of any team member to adhere to the policies and procedures listed in the Code of Conduct may

result in the disqualification of the delinquent student’s participation and/or the entire team. The student and/or team risk being sent home at the pentathlete’s or team’s expense.

Modifications and accommodations: If team members have modifications and accommodations (including alternative diets) requiring special arrangements at the hotel, please notify U.S. Academic Pentathlon of this by including this information on the **Modifications and Accommodations** that is a part of this National Finals packet. Students with allergies are responsible for attending to proper care for their allergies.

Back This Year—Twin Teams! Get to know more about your Academic Pentathlon peers before the Nationals start! Twin Teams will be announced after all the face-to-face Nationals team participants have been determined. A team will be paired with another team and emailed contact information so they can connect before Nationals. Twin Teams can foster new friendships and knowledge about the states represented at Nationals. When you arrive in Arizona, new friends will already be waiting for you! Teams can connect at the team celebration event to develop their friendships further and share their hometown knowledge and culture.

The checklist below is provided to assist you with managing forms as they are completed.

Team and individual Rosters are due April 11, 2024. All other forms are to be RECEIVED by April 24, 2024.

ON-SITE COMPETITION

Completed	FORM	Mail or submit online to:
	Pentathlon Team/Individual Roster Forms due April 11	USAP – pentathlon@usad.org
	Transcripts along with USAP GPA Forms if not already provided	Designated team Google folder
	Student Registration and Parent Permission	Designated team Google folder
	Modifications and Accommodations Form (optional)	Designated team Google folder
	Team Photo	Designated team Google folder
	Extras Form & Payments	Online Form

ONLINE COMPETITION

Completed	FORM	Mail or submit online to:
	Pentathlon Team/Individual Registration Forms due April 11	USAP – pentathlon@usad.org
	Transcripts along with USAD GPA Forms if not already provided	Designated team Google folder
	Student Registration and Parent Permission	Designated team Google folder

NOTE: ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE REVIEW ALL INFORMATION GIVEN TO YOU AT CHECK IN AS TIMES AND ROOMS MAY CHANGE.