For Nationals 2025 in Des Moines, IA, all states are invited to send three teams: their state champion team, their second-place team, and a third team. The third team must be from a different enrollment division than the state champion team. The enrollment divisions used to determine the eligibility of the third team can either be the same that are used within that state or USAD's enrollment divisions (large = not to exceed 10,000; medium = not to exceed 1,300; small = not to exceed 650 (grades 9–12).

States with 30 or more teams participating in their state will be permitted to send one additional team, allowing for potentially four total teams from that state: their state champion team, their second-place team, and a third and a fourth team. The third and the fourth teams from these states must be from a different enrollment division than the state champion team. The intention behind inviting additional teams is to give teams that otherwise might not have the opportunity to experience Nationals.

All five divisions at Nationals will be score-based divisions and will be determined using each team's total state score (includes all 10 events). Teams from all divisions will be eligible for the Robert D. Peterson Award.

State directors must let their teams know prior to their state competition if their state will follow USAD enrollment divisions or those used within their state to determine how the third (and fourth) teams will be invited.

Tentatively, 50-100 individual participants will be invited to Nationals this year. For more information, please visit the following site <a href="https://usadic.org/">https://usadic.org/</a>