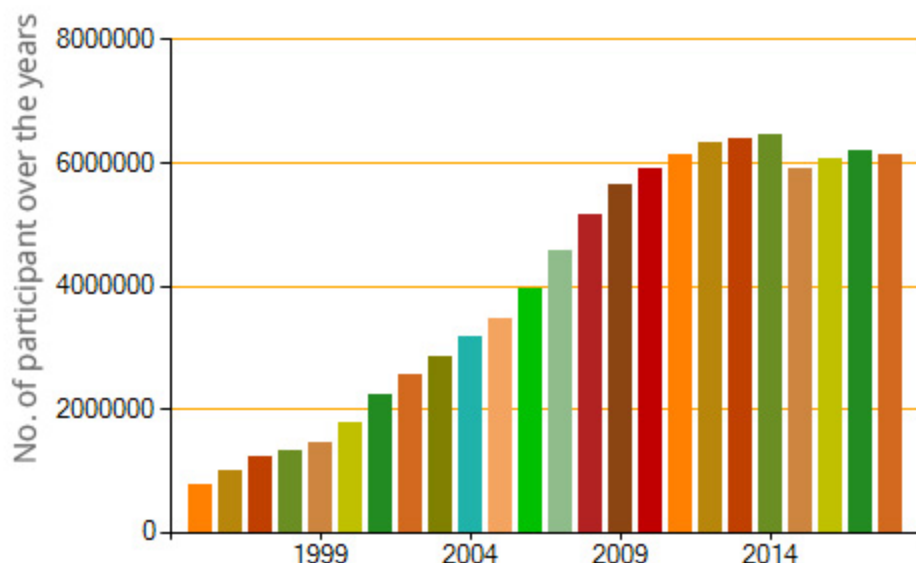


About Math Kangaroo

Math Kangaroo is an international math competition, which in recent years has drawn over 6 million annual participants from grades 1 through 12, offered in over 80 countries worldwide. The test is coordinated through cooperating non-profit agencies, and in the United States, the administering organization is Math Kangaroo in USA. (<http://www.mathkangaroo.us>) Earlier this year, over 31,000 American students participated. More US statistics are available at <http://www.mathkangaroo.us/mk/statistics.html>.



(Source: <https://www.mathkangaroo.in/about/statistics>)

The competition takes place on the third Thursday in March, consisting of 24 multiple choice questions to be solved within 75 minutes for grades 1 through 4, and 30 questions for students in grades 5 and up. The test is presented in a manner that is similar to most standardized tests, with students receiving the questions from a printed test booklet and bubbling in their multiple choice selections on a separate, pre-formatted answer sheet.

Though Math Kangaroo is a competition, this aspect of the contest is downplayed, making it a superb way for elementary school students to explore the world of competitive math. The primary purpose is to encourage students who enjoy math to delve deeper, build confidence, and stretch their abilities. Every participant receives a T-shirt, a certificate, and a fun gift, plus additional prizes and recognition for top scorers, state and nationwide.

It's a great way for curious kids to discover the joy in math and for motivated kids to grow their love of the subject. The test is not heavily based on math knowledge. It relies more on puzzle and logic-type problems, making it a fun way to try thought-provoking math problems developed

by a skilled mathematics team. Test questions are levelled according to grade, allowing those who participate year-after-year to ease into the material and grow with it. Sample test questions are available online at http://www.mathkangaroo.us/mk/sample_questions.html.

Registration for 2022 runs from September 16th to December 15th, 2021, with late registration continuing through December 31st, space permitting. Fees per student are \$21 and \$35, respectively. Financial assistance and special needs accommodations are also available. When registering, there are public centers, which fill up very quickly and are located far away, and there are private centers serving their own student communities. I am hosting centers for students from Piedmont Unified district schools and certain Oakland schools, with the Piedmont center sponsored through the [Piedmont ALPS](#) organization.

Test sittings occur at a variety of times at different locations, but they all must happen on Thursday, March 17th, 2022. Scores and results will be released in May. To learn more about registering and downloadable learning materials, go to the Registration page at <http://www.mathkangaroo.us/mk/registration.html>. When you register, you'll receive a discount code that you can use to get reduced-price test questions and free video solutions.

More information about Math Kangaroo can be found in this official [press release](#). In addition to all this, there will be some coordinated and community-based preparation, coaching, team-building, and general enrichment activities to help build awareness of and excitement for Math Kangaroo. Please inquire with me for further details.

Hope to see you at Math Kangaroo 2022!

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