

# **BullSO Tournament 2022 Updates**

If you have any questions, please email us at bulls.scioly@gmail.com

# 11/30/2022 - Awards Ceremony and Final Update!

Hello coaches,

As a reminder, our Awards Ceremony premieres at 4 pm EST today! It is available at this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h5X\_pGATtUM.

After the Awards Ceremony has concluded, we will do the following:

- We will release graded exams on Scilympiad as soon as we can. Students can go in and see their scores!
- We will email you with blank test sets/keys sometime tonight as we get everything finalized.
- You may appeal a score ONLY if a significant amount of an exam or build was
  ungraded. This does not mean 0 points when they should've got a point according
  to the key, but rather just not graded at all. To submit an appeal, please email us
  from a coach's email with the following: Team #, Event, Question #s, Reason for
  appeal. We will get to them if approved, correct records online, and provide medals
  if necessary.
- Speaking of which, we will be mailing out medals and trophies sometime after the tournament! We will be using mailing addresses provided in the initial registration Google Form and marked as c/o with the coach's name. If we don't believe the information provided is sufficient, we will follow up. This process will only happen once we confirm payment from your team (mail is still coming in slowly).

We would love it if you or your students could provide feedback in this form: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/bullsofeedback">https://tinyurl.com/bullsofeedback</a>. Feel free to send it out to your competitors!

Once again congratulations and thank you for all your hard work in helping make this happen. Science Olympiad would be nowhere without the voluntary dedication of our coaches. We hope you have a great day!

#### 11/19/2022 - Post-Tournament Update

Hello BullSO Teams and Coaches!

Thank you all for a great inaugural tournament! We hope you and your teams had a good experience. If you have any questions or appeals, please let us know by emailing us by Sunday 11/20 at 8:00 PM EST.

The Awards Ceremony is currently planned for 4 pm EST on November 30th. Links to awards will be posted on <a href="https://bullso.org/invitational">https://bullso.org/invitational</a>. We hope your team will be able to watch it together!

If you have any extensions or were impacted by the Write It Do It issue, we will keep in contact with additional instructions.

Again, thank you all for coming out! Our goal was to be able to give teams some solid early season experience and a chance to test their builds. Working with you was a pleasure and we hope you enjoyed it as well.

### 11/18/2022 - Pre-Tournament Update

Hello BullSO Teams and Coaches!

As we approach our invitational tomorrow we have a few reminders and things for you to do:

- As per national policy, please ensure all teams competing are registered with your state. For example, if you have 1 team registered with the state, you CANNOT have more than 1 team at this invitational. We will be checking and disqualifying teams if this occurs, so if you are not registered please do that ASAP.
- Review the <u>Event Modifications</u> document. Reminder that all builds are due by 8 PM EST on 11/19!
- Please have all students log in to <a href="https://scilympiad.com/fl-bulls">https://scilympiad.com/fl-bulls</a> and ensure their events are there. While we will do our best to troubleshoot during the tournament, we will be extremely busy so it is best to take this measure now. If you have any questions, please check the guidance at <a href="https://scilympiad.com/fl-bulls/Support/Guides">https://scilympiad.com/fl-bulls/Support/Guides</a>
- If you have any questions, we will have an ongoing coach's meeting room going on from 10:30 am to 7:00 pm EST on tournament day at this link. Please note that this

- meeting is for COACHES ONLY. If students have any questions, they must relay them to their coaches.
- Last but not least, we regret not being able to have an in-person invitational, but we hope a Satellite-style tournament is still fun to be able to compete with your team in-person. Make sure to have fun!

We cannot wait to see you all (albeit virtually) on Saturday. Best of luck! And please let us know if you have any questions.

#### 11/11/2022 - Builds and Forms

Hello BullSO teams and coaches!

We hope your early season preparations have been going well, and competitors are getting ready to try some events at University of South Florida's inaugural Bull Science Olympiad Tournament on Saturday November 19th. As this date fast approaches, we would like to send out a few important updates:

- If you have not already, please register your teams and pay through Scilympiad ASAP. Instructions on how to do so are here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GxEddsLmS136LOWC3FC4TV0Qy\_RnGx-m5GMvbl1W4WU/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GxEddsLmS136LOWC3FC4TV0Qy\_RnGx-m5GMvbl1W4WU/edit?usp=sharing</a>
- If you have not already, please assign your students to teams and events, and send out release forms. Instructions on how to do so are here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/16\_ZCwiaYLEZOSP-yfbBA0JQO1XdogglMuA2YRKaUF6k/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/16\_ZCwiaYLEZOSP-yfbBA0JQO1XdogglMuA2YRKaUF6k/edit?usp=sharing</a>
- 3. We will be sending an email to the head coaches listed on the registration form with details that cannot be sent to students, such as the materials required for Can't Judge a Powder B and parameters for all builds. Materials required for Experimental Design and Write It Do It are already available in the Event Modifications document. Please gather all materials listed in the document as soon as possible.
- 4. As far as events are concerned, we know there is some crucial information you need, which we will be giving here, particularly regarding builds. This information has been updated in the event modifications document. Please refer to the Event Modifications document for the build portions of the following events: Bridge B/C, Detector C, Flight B/C, It's About Time C, Roller Coaster B, Scrambler C, Storm the Castle B, Trajectory C, and Wheeled Vehicle B. There will be detailed instructions on what to include for videos of build testing on the document. The

videos for any build portion are crucial, and the coach for a team may be the one to record them, or another individual who does not have to be competing. Of course, for each build with specifications at time of competition, such as target time for Roller Coaster or time intervals for It's About Time, the coach must be the one to relay this information for the first time during the video. For submissions, Google Forms will be linked on the event modifications document. Submissions through these forms will be open on Saturday November 12th, and are due by 8pm EST on Saturday November 19th. Again, the Google Forms on the event modifications document will be the official forms for tournament submissions of the builds for these events. In general, we will be lenient as this is an early competition, and we would rather have builds that can be tested and improved as opposed to strict limitations. Please email us any questions or concerns regarding build formats and parameters as soon as possible so that we may clarify any oversights or miscommunications.

As always, information on the tournament will be updated at <a href="https://bullso.org/invitational">https://bullso.org/invitational</a> and feel free to email us if you have any questions or concerns!

## 10/14/2022 - BullSO Coach's Update

Hello coaches and teams,

Thank you for registering for BullSO! Your teams have been confirmed. If you have not already done so, please register and pay via Scilympiad at <a href="https://scilympiad.com/fl-bulls">https://scilympiad.com/fl-bulls</a> so your teams will have access. If you are not sure how to do so or have any questions, please read <a href="this document">this document</a> and let us know if you need additional information!

Our day-of schedule, event modifications, and any additional information can be found at <a href="https://bullso.org/invitational">https://bullso.org/invitational</a>.

Thank you for supporting your students in Science Olympiad!