

TEAM EXPECTATIONS

Adherence to VASO Policies

Teams are expected to adhere to **all** posted Virginia Science Olympiad policies, requirements, and clarifications from www.virginiaso.org as if they were included in the official event rulebook.

Team Registration

Head coaches are required to complete registration with Virginia Science Olympiad for the season before their team competes in any tournament, even those run by organizations other than VASO.

Tournament Day Participation

School-approved, adult representatives are required to be on site for the duration of their team's presence at the tournament location. Head coaches are expected to fill this role and to be reachable via phone and/or email by tournament officials for the duration of the tournament. In the event that a head coach is unable to attend a tournament, it is the responsibility of the coach to designate a replacement who is authorized by the principal to represent the school, and to inform the tournament director of this change.

Participating teams are expected to provide volunteers to supervise and/or assist in events on tournament days when their team is competing. Teams that do not meet their volunteer requirement will not be eligible to compete. It is the responsibility of the head coach and other adults associated with the team to meet this requirement.

Conduct

Each sponsoring school is responsible for the conduct of its participants. Students, coaches and other adults are responsible for ensuring that any applicable school or Science Olympiad policy, law, or regulation is not broken.

[VASO policies](#) regarding conduct notably include:

- Cheating and Misconduct Policy
- Parent Participation Policy
- Clean Up Policy

Vandalism

If a member(s) or person(s) on or associated with a team commit(s) an act of vandalism, the team may be disqualified from the competition. In egregious cases of vandalism, as determined by tournament officials, no member of that team will be awarded a medal in ANY event and persons may be barred from future competitions. Each sponsoring school agrees to pay the cost of repairing damage from any act of vandalism. Vandalism means a deliberate action that results in damage to property, including, but not limited to, graffiti, damage to facility property, and damage to others' personal property.

By signing below, I indicate that I have read and understand the VASO Team Expectations Policy.

Principal	Name (Print): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
Head Coach	Name (Print): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
School-Based Sponsor <i>(if applicable)</i>	Name (Print): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____