



International Junior Science

Olympiad (IJSO)

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Official Announcement:

Commencement of Registration and Crucial Guidelines for IJSO 2026

Dear Country Coordinators and Esteemed Delegates,

On behalf of the International Junior Science Olympiad (IJSO) Executive Committee (EC) and the IJSO 2026 Local Organizing Committee (LOC), we extend our warmest greetings to all participating nations. As we prepare to celebrate scientific excellence and foster international friendship, we are pleased to announce that the official registration process for IJSO 2026 will soon commence. Please review the following vital information, timelines, and logistical guidelines to ensure a seamless registration experience:

- 1. Official Registration Timeline:** The online registration portal will officially open on August 1 and close promptly on August 31, 2026. All pre-registered nations are kindly requested to complete the online procedures within this designated timeframe.
- 2. Distribution of Credentials:** To facilitate secure access, registration passwords will be dispatched in batches on July 31, 2026, to the official coordinators of the 57 pre-registered countries.
- 3. Provisional Submission Flexibility:** Should you encounter difficulties in finalizing student data before the August 31 deadline, please prioritize uploading the details of your delegation leaders and teachers first. Concurrently, kindly notify the LOC of the anticipated date for submitting your student roster.
- 4. Visa Documentation and Planning:** Please be reminded that official letters of invitation for visa application purposes can only be generated upon receipt of comprehensive data for all team members. We strongly urge all delegations to review their local visa processing times immediately and allocate sufficient time for these administrative requirements.
- 5. Limited number of Participating Countries:** Due to unprecedented budgetary and logistical constraints, the organizing framework currently accommodates an estimated capacity of 40 countries. Consequently, **completing registration DOES NOT** inherently guarantee final placement in this year's event.

- 6. Commitment to Maximize Participation:** Please rest assured that the EC and the LOC are proactively exploring all available resources and alternative solutions. To this end, the IJSO President and the Secretary are scheduled to arrive in Bulgaria before the end of August to conduct an on-site venue inspection and establish direct communications with relevant government sectors, with the earnest objective of securing additional resources to expand our final capacity to welcome more countries to this prestigious competition.
- 7. Publication of the Final Roster:** The definitive list of participating delegations will be finalized and officially announced before early September.
- 8. Secretariat Support:** Should you require any assistance, clarification, or further guidance throughout this process, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat directly at ijsoweb@gmail.com or ktlu@ntnu.edu.tw.

We are profoundly grateful for your unwavering dedication, understanding, and collaborative spirit as we work together to make IJSO 2026 an inspirational and memorable milestone for young scientists worldwide.

Sincerely,

The IJSO 2026 Executive Committee & Local Organizing Committee

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