

NY STANDARDS

SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS

SS-S1: History of the United States & NY

SS-S2: World History

SS-S3: Geography

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS STANDARDS

ELA-S1: Information & Understanding

ELA-S4: Language for Social Interaction

ARTS STANDARDS

A-S4: Understand Cultural Contributions

MATH, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS

MST-S4: Science

MST-S5: Technology

MST-S6: Interconnectedness: Common Themes

Students participating in the Geo-Bee may be exposed to local, state, county, national and international information. Locations, weather, famous structures and landmarks may be further explored.

Coaches will provide the team with topics to research, locate and discuss by using several tools, such as a world map, sea charts, and atlas. There are several games and activities to assist in this learning.

Some coaches encourage the students to perform skits, create PowerPoint presentations or construct a selected region to help define geographical boundaries. This connection allows language and artistic skills to flourish.

Students will gain a greater sense of map terminology. They will expand their understanding of the interconnectedness of geography by exploring a region's physical features, climate, and culture.

Our goal is to refine our geography education, to connect with the Arts, Sciences, Technology and literature, as well as to create informed citizens of our world.



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THE GEO-BEE

Our regional Geo-Bee is a geography based competition for students in grades 3-8. Teams of six students prepare to answer questions created by the National Geographic Geography Bee. The National Geographic Bee, an educational program of the National Geographic Society, is a nationwide geography competition for US schools (with any grades four through eight) designed to encourage the teaching and study of geography.

Teams compete in a round robin format with many nearby schools, and division winners advance to a region-wide final tournament. The schools may choose to send one representative from each participating school to the State Geography Bee in April. The National Geography Bee, located in Washington DC, will be in late May.

The practice and competition give students a forum in which to demonstrate their proficiency of geography, current events and connected studies. Students are also afforded the opportunity to interact with academically talented students from several other districts.



WHERE IN THE WORLD?

WHAT FEATURE ON A MAP ALLOWS PEOPLE TO CALCULATE THE ACTUAL DISTANCE BETWEEN TWO PLACES SHOWN ON A MAP?

-SCALE

WHAT IS THE TERM FOR THE AVERAGE WEATHER CONDITIONS OF A REGION OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME?

-CLIMATE

DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK IS PRIMARILY LOCATED IN WHICH STATE?

-CALIFORNIA

WHICH EVENT CAUSES MORE HURRICANE-RELATED DEATHS: LIGHTNING OR STORM-SURGE FLOODING?

-STORM-SURGE FLOODING

WHAT COASTAL COUNTRY BORDERS ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL?

-URUGUAY

THE GREAT SMOKY AND CATSKILL MOUNTAINS ARE REGIONS OF WHAT MOUNTAINS SYSTEM IN THE EASTERN US?

-APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS

WHICH OF THESE SOUTH AMERICAN CITIES IS THE MOST POPULOUS: ASUNCION, BUENOS AIRES, QUITO?

-BUENOS AIRES

EARTHQUAKES CAN SOMETIMES CREATE UNUSUALLY LARGE WAVES THAT CAUSE DESTRUCTION WHEN THEY REACH LAND. WHICH JAPANESE TERM IS USED FOR THIS KIND OF WAVE?

-TSUNAMI

WWW.GVBOCES.ORG/ENRICHMENT



ELIGIBILITY:

Students in grades 3-8.

TEAMS:

Each team will be composed of 6 members. Rosters may include up to 20 competing students. Schools may have more than 1 team. Teams compete in a round-robin format with nearby schools, and division winners may advance to the Regional Geography Bee.

RESOURCES:

www.nationalgeographic.com/geographybee

RECOGNITION:

Winning school receive a plaque and the chance to move forward in the state or national competitions. All students receive certificates of participation.

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