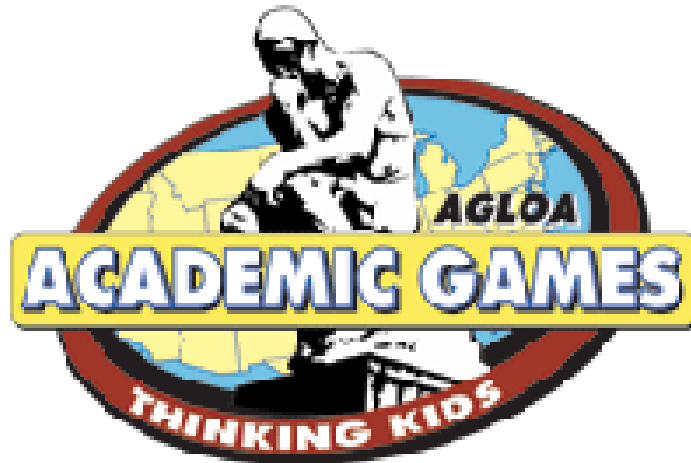


Academic Games Leagues of America, Inc.

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2019 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT



WELCOME BOOK

*AGLOA Builds Players of
Character, Integrity and Excellence.*

April 26 – 29, 2019
Wyndham Orlando Resort International Drive
Orlando, Florida

Welcome

On behalf of the Tournament Council of the **Academic Games Leagues of America, Inc. (AGLOA)**, we welcome you to the 2019 AGLOA National Tournament. We're proud to celebrate our 54th Academic Games national competition.

Each April, we welcome more than 1,000 students, parents, chaperones and volunteers for four days of fun and rigorous competition, friendly and enjoyable company and wonderful fun and camaraderie for the AGLOA National Tournament.

We hope that you will enjoy each moment of your experience. We are here to serve you, so please call on us whenever you need assistance.

This year marks our ninth trip to the Orlando area, a fun and exciting sun-splashed playground that is one of the favorite stops on our circuit. Our competitions next week will take place in the spacious Wyndham Orlando Resort.

We have been working with the resort staff to prepare for the tournament and all of the details associated with our wonderful event and to ensure a pleasant experience for everyone.

Of course, you — the players, coaches, volunteers and parents — are the most important part of the AGLOA National Tournament. The fact that you or your students have qualified to participate is a testament to your hard work, excellence and dedication. We expect that all players will compete fairly and to the best of their abilities, that they will honor each other throughout the tournament and develop some new friendships and have fun.

Each of us on the AGLOA Executive Board and Tournament Council is committed to providing an outstanding tournament — one that will help us all to develop excellence, character and integrity.

We look forward to seeing you throughout the tournament.

With a heartfelt welcome,



Rod Beard
Executive Director
For the AGLOA Board
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All members of the AGLOA Board of Directors are ex-officio (non-voting) members of the Tournament Council.

2019 Tournament Information Packet

Please read this entire packet carefully, as it contains information that you will need.

On-Site Registration

- When you arrive, you will need to check in at the Wyndham Orlando Resort (GPS address: 8001 International Dr, Orlando, FL 32819)
 - If you are arriving by bus, please DON'T PARK in the resort roundabout at the front of the lobby; go to the big parking lot off International Drive around the back of the Convention Center.
 - Please send one adult to the AGLOA Registration Desk (located in the Cedar Room in Key Ballroom of the Convention Center) to gather all your room keys, t-shirts and other registration materials and settle any outstanding financial obligations.
 - After completing registration and getting your room keys, you can proceed to your sleeping rooms in your assigned building.
 - Depending on your arrival time, all sleeping rooms may not be available, but we'll try to get at least one room, where you can store your luggage until all rooms are ready.
 - For those groups arriving prior to Friday when registration opens, you can go directly to the Wyndham front desk to get your room keys. You will do regular AGLOA registration on Friday.

Opening Ceremony and Welcome

Beginning at 6:15 p.m. on Friday evening, we will have a quick welcome and final announcements for ALL DIVISIONS, in the Palms Ballroom (see the Convention Center map).

Accommodations

- All players and coaches should be staying at the Wyndham Orlando Resort. The resort layout is in several different two-floor buildings, but there are no elevators. If you need your room to be on the ground floor, please note that in your housing requests.
- Check-in is at approximately 4:00 p.m. and check-out is at 11 a.m. Because the resort is completely booked before we arrive and after we leave, we have no wiggle room on these times and there are **no extensions**.
 - For those groups arriving early, we have scheduled a room for luggage storage on Friday.
 - Tournament registration starts at 2 p.m. on Friday, so again please plan your arrival accordingly.
- All pay TV channels and outside telephone services are turned off. If adults wish to have either of these services turned on, please go to the front desk with a credit card. You are responsible for the charges and must pay for them at checkout. Please treat the rooms with respect; you are responsible for any damages.
- We expect appropriate behavior from all AGLOA participants. Please respect the facility, as well as the staff and other guests in the resort. Remember that there will be other guests who are not a part of AGLOA staying at the resort as well.
- The resort does have two outdoor pools, which are open until 11 p.m. There is no lifeguard on duty. Please ensure that everyone from your group exercises caution and follows all posted hotel regulations.
- Hotel checkout time is 11 a.m. If your group must check out on Monday and needs a place to store luggage, then you must coordinate with another hotel guest to store your belongings. Neither AGLOA nor the Wyndham will have much storage space or allow anyone back into their hotel room after checking out.

Wyndham Orlando Resort

- All competitions and meals (except Sunday dinner) will be at the Wyndham Orlando Resort.
 - Sunday dinner is not included in the meal plan but there are several restaurants within walking distance.
- We will have a Parent Lounge in Salon D and practice area with tables in the Key Ballroom available throughout the tournament.

Bus Arrival and Parking

If you are traveling via a chartered bus that will need to park overnight at the Wyndham, please ensure that your driver is aware of these instructions and communicates about parking with the Wyndham's staff. When you arrive at the Wyndham, **DO NOT ENTER IN THE HOTEL LOBBY**. Pull into the large parking lot from International Drive and drop off one representative to get room keys and registration materials. Do not take luggage off the bus until you find out which building you are staying in. You will need to walk inside to the Cedar Room for registration. After you get everything, you can return to your bus and drive to the building where your rooms will be.



Name Badges

- All players, coaches, volunteers and parents who registered through AGLOA will receive a name badge and lanyard. The district contact/group representative will pick up those name badges at the AGLOA Registration Table at the Convention Center.
- Everyone **MUST** wear a name badge **AT ALL TIMES**, except at the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

Meals

- For all who opted for the meal plan, all meals will be served in the Citrus and Key Ballrooms in the Convention Center.
- If a participant has paid for the meal plan, the name badge will have FOOD or other specific designation. Only those people with a meal designation on their name badge will be allowed in the rooms where meals are being served.
- Only those who have requested a special meal designation (such as vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free or soy-free) will be able to receive those. Please check your final registration forms to ensure you have done this.

Playing Areas: See Convention Center Map

All competitions will take place in the Wyndham Orlando Resort Convention Center.

Elementary Division will play in Palms Ballroom F-I.

Middle Division will play in Palms Ballroom E.

Junior/Senior Divisions will play in the Floral Ballroom.

Meetings for Adults (Training, Rules, Judges, Tournament Council, etc.)

Meetings will be held in Salon C in the Convention Center. **There will be additional meetings this year to discuss Propaganda and Presidents.** Please check the list on the Tournament Schedule and the Map.

Games and other playing materials

You MUST bring enough EQUATIONS, ON-SETS or LINGUISHTIK games so that there is one for every three players who are playing those games from your team. Bring them to the designated playing site for each session in that game. Label them **CLEARLY** with your school or district name so that you can identify them at the end of each session.

- All players must provide their own scratch paper and pencils or pens.
- **Reading games require a pen; no erasures are allowed on the answer sheets.**

T-Shirts

T-shirts are distributed on-site at Registration according to the numbers and sizes that you ordered. **ALL** Registration is on Friday afternoon in the Cedar Room. A limited number of additional t-shirts may be purchased for \$10 each on a first-come, first-served basis from Tournament Administrators after 9 a.m. on Saturday.

Weekend Social Activities 6-10 p.m.

Movie Night — Avengers: End Game, (Sunday evening, 6:00 and 7:30)

- Location: Universal Cinemark at CityWalk
- Cost: \$10 per attendee*. Collected before or during Registration.
- Buses will be shuttling tournament attendees back and forth from the resort to CityWalk beginning at 3 p.m. on Sunday. Everyone using the shuttle must have a tournament name badge. The last shuttle from CityWalk returning guests back to the resort will be at 11:45 p.m. Drop off and pick up locations will be announced.

***Tickets are for students ages 13 or older and coaches mainly. If extra tickets are available at the tournament, any students or parents interested can purchase tickets by Sunday at noon.**

Special Awards Nominations

Nominations (in writing, with a picture) for the following special awards must be received by Tournament Administrators by April 19. Nomination forms have been sent to each group and are available on agloa.org.

- **Outstanding Seniors**
- **Outstanding Educators**

Remind.com Notification System

Once again, AGLOA will be using Remind—an online communication service—to send out important tournament updates and notifications while in Orlando. We will also distribute the sign-up information at the tournament, so participants can join the notification lists. *Only players, coaches, volunteers and parents who are attending the tournament should sign up for these notifications.*

There are two ways to sign up:

1. Text the number 81010 with your sign-up code as a message, for example, **@(sign-up code)**.
2. Go to [rmd.at/\(sign-up code\)](http://rmd.at/(sign-up code)) in your web browser on any computer or smartphone. It is highly recommended that you download the Remind app for your smartphone.

Choose the appropriate sign-up code below:

<u>NOTIFICATION LIST</u>	<u>SIGN-UP CODE</u>
Elementary Division	19agloael
Middle Division	19agloami
Junior/Senior Division	19agloajs

Closing Awards Ceremony

We will have one combined awards ceremony for all divisions on Monday night at 6:30 in the Palms Ballroom. This is always a grand event and we encourage everyone to attend and to celebrate all of our individual and team champions. There will be photo stations in the corner of the ballroom, to ease the congestion on the stage and to ensure that we can keep the ceremony flowing.

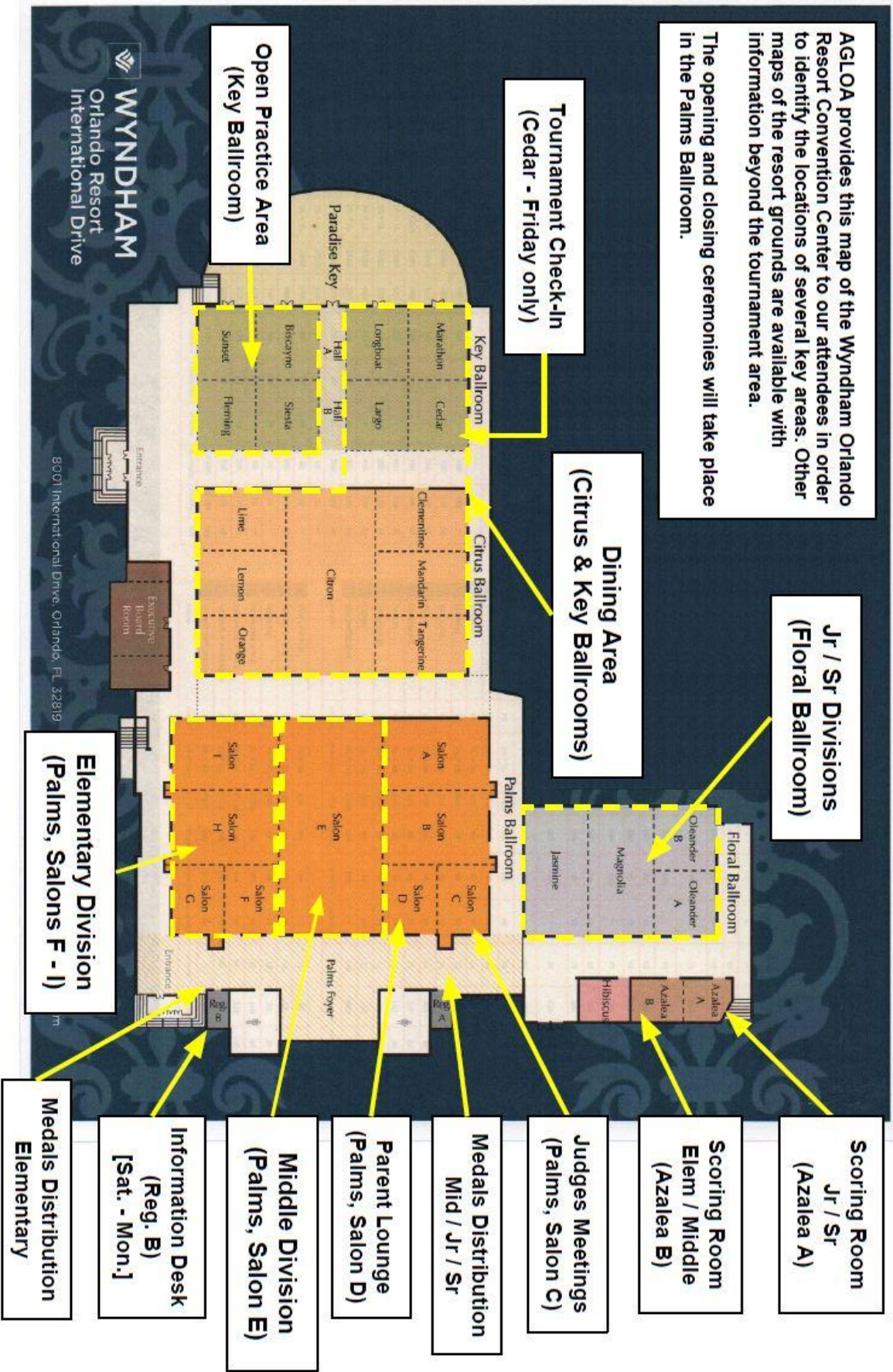
Special Thanks

We appreciate all the grace and professionalism that the Wyndham Orlando Resort staff has shown us in preparing for the tournament and look forward to a wonderful experience for everyone. Please show them the same kindness throughout the week we're here.

Wynndham Orlando Resort Convention Center Map

AGLOA provides this map of the Wynndham Orlando Resort Convention Center to our attendees in order to identify the locations of several key areas. Other maps of the resort grounds are available with information beyond the tournament area.

The opening and closing ceremonies will take place in the Palms Ballroom.



**Jr / Sr Divisions
(Floral Ballroom)**

**Dining Area
(Citrus & Key Ballrooms)**

**Tournament Check-In
(Cedar - Friday only)**

**Open Practice Area
(Key Ballroom)**

**Elementary Division
(Palms, Salons F - I)**

**Scoring Room
Jr / Sr
(Azalea A)**

**Scoring Room
Elem / Middle
(Azalea B)**

**Judges Meetings
(Palms, Salon C)**

**Medals Distribution
Mid / Jr / Sr**

**Parent Lounge
(Palms, Salon D)**

**Middle Division
(Palms, Salon E)**

**Information Desk
(Reg. B)
[Sat. - Mon.]**

**Medals Distribution
Elementary**



ACADEMIC GAMES LEAGUES OF AMERICA 2019 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Division Rooms: **Elementary** – Palms Ballroom, Salons F-I **Meals:** **All** – Citrus Ballroom
Middle – Palms Ballroom, Salon E
Junior / Senior – Floral Ballroom

Thursday, April 25

5 PM – 7 PM	Early Arrival and Final Registration	<i>Key Ballroom, Cedar</i>
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Friday, April 26 (Dinner 5 – 6 PM)

2 PM – 6 PM	Arrival and Final Registration	<i>Key Ballroom, Cedar</i>
3:30 – 4:15	Mathematics Judges Meeting	<i>Palms Ballroom, Salon C</i>
4:15 – 5:00	LINGUISHTIK Judges Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>
6:15 – 6:45	Opening Ceremony and Welcome	<i>Palms Ballroom</i>
6:45 – 7	New Coaches Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>
7 – 9	ALL ON-SETS (Rounds 1 & 2)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
7:30 – 8:30	PROPAGANDA Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>

Saturday, April 27 (Breakfast 6:45 – 8 AM | Lunch 11:45 AM – 1 PM | Dinner 5 – 6:15 PM)

8 – 10 AM	ALL LINGUISHTIK (Rounds 1 & 2)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
10 – 12	ALL PRESIDENTS (E/M: #25-34 J/S: #1-24)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
10 – 12	Novice Equations Training	<i>Salon C</i>
1 – 3	ALL ON-SETS (Rounds 3 & 4)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
1 – 3	Social Studies Rules Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>
3 – 5	ALL PROPAGANDA (Sections A & C)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
6:15 – 8	ALL THEME	<i>Division Rooms</i>
8 – 10	ALL ON-SETS Playoffs	<i>Division Rooms</i>

Additional playoff times may occur during meal times for some games.

Players should be in their scheduled playing room at least 10 minutes before the start times listed.



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Division Rooms: *Elementary* – Palms Ballroom, Salons F-I **Meals:** *All* – Citrus Ballroom
Middle – Palms Ballroom, Salon E
Junior / Senior – Floral Ballroom

Sunday, April 28 (Breakfast 6:45 – 8 AM | Lunch 11:45 AM – 1 PM | NO DINNER)

8 – 10 AM	ALL LINGUISHTIK (Rounds 3 & 4)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
10 – 12	ALL PRESIDENTS (E/M: #35-45; J/S: #25-45)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
10 – 12	AGLOA Tournament Council Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>
11:45 – 1	ALL THEME “Lunch and Learn” Workshop	<i>Key Ballroom</i>
1 – 3	ALL EQUATIONS (Rounds 1 & 2)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
3 – 5	ALL Mathematics Rules Meetings	<i>Salon C</i>
3 – 5	ALL CURRENT EVENTS	<i>Division Rooms</i>
4 – 7	Medals Distribution (OS, LING, THEME)	<i>Registration A & B</i>
6 – 9	ALL LINGUISHTIK Playoffs	<i>Division Rooms</i>
6 – 9	ALL Movie Night – <i>Avengers: Endgame</i>	<i>Universal Cinemark at CityWalk</i>
7:30 – 10:30	ALL Movie Night – <i>Avengers: Endgame</i>	
6 – 10:30	ALL Social Activities	<i>Various</i>

Monday, April 29 (Breakfast 6:45 – 8 AM | Lunch 11:45 AM – 1 PM | Dinner 5 – 6:15 PM)

8 – 10 AM	ALL EQUATIONS (Rounds 3 & 4)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
10 – 12	ALL PROPAGANDA (Sections D & E)	<i>Division Rooms</i>
10 – 12	LINGUISHTIK Rules Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>
1 – 2	Novice LINGUISHTIK Training	<i>Salon D</i>
1 – 3	PRESIDENTS Meeting	<i>Salon C</i>
1 – 4	ALL EQUATIONS Playoffs	<i>Floral Ballroom</i>
1 – 5	Final Medals Distribution (All Games)	<i>Registration A & B</i>
6:30 – 9	ALL Awards Ceremony	<i>Palms Ballroom</i>

Additional playoff times may occur during meal times for some games.

Players should be in their scheduled playing room at least 10 minutes before the start times listed.

Coordinators, Judges, Readers, Monitors, Scorekeepers and Rules Meetings

Division Coordinators

Division	Coordinator	Assistant
Elementary	Elaine Chauvin	Margie Walsh
Middle	Nancy Kinard	Brenda Saunders
Junior/Senior	Kelly Zeltmann	Alicia Mullins

Judges, readers and monitors have been assigned based upon results of certification tests and the lists of volunteers submitted by your areas. **The assignments will be distributed prior to the tournament in a separate document.** Please look at these lists carefully for your name. You may be assigned more than one time — or even in more than one division. It is expected that everyone listed **WILL** show up to judge, read or monitor. If you cannot fulfill one of your assignments, please tell the Division Coordinator in plenty of time.

➤ **ALL JUDGES FOR CUBE GAMES MUST ATTEND THE JUDGES MEETINGS.**

Rules meetings are important and several vital issues are considered and discussed. If you are your area's designee to one or more of these meetings or you simply want to sit in, it is important that your opinions be heard. Straw votes are taken that are strong guidelines for the AGLOA Rules Committee voters. **ALL rules meetings take place in the Salon C. See Convention Center Map.**

Head Scorekeepers

Each of them needs two assistant scorekeepers for each round of each game. If you wish to volunteer, please go to the scorekeeping rooms and get on the schedule. We need you!

Division	Scorekeepers	Meeting Room
Elementary	Karen Simister and Jenny Hastings	Azalea B
Middle	Kim Temes and Maggie Grindstaff	Azalea B
Junior/Senior	Karl Cushnie and Ken Dowling	Azalea A

AGLOA Tournament Council

The AGLOA Tournament Council will meet at 10 a.m. **Sunday in Salon C.** This meeting will be very crucial; many new initiatives will be discussed. All Tournament Council members whose terms are not up should be there. In addition, new Tournament Council members from the following areas should be elected by their groups **before** this meeting and should attend.

These votes must be taken before Saturday evening! The winners will attend the meeting.

All are three-year terms:

Michigan	Sallie Johnson is current rep. All Michigan votes on a new member.
Louisiana	Melinda Hall is current rep. All Louisiana votes on a new member.
West Virginia	Alicia Mullins is current rep. All West Virginia votes on a new member.
At-Large	Adrian Prather is current rep. All other areas vote on a new member.

Tournament Schedules

An electronic copy of the Tournament Schedule is available online at agloa.org. We encourage you to print two-sided, color copies yourself and distribute them to your group before the tournament. Please post them in your sleeping rooms so that players and adults know the schedule.

AGLOA Registration System Information Verification

A few weeks before the Tournament, each person who input team and player data through the online AGLOA registration system will receive from the Tournament Director, an email containing all of the teams and players they registered on the AGLOA system and all the games that those teams and/or players are registered to play. This information should be checked and confirmed and any errors or issues addressed via email to Rod Beard (Rod.Beard@agloa.org) by the due date in the email. The codes for the games to be played by each team are:

E	=	EQUATIONS
O	=	ON-SETS
A	=	THEME
C	=	CURRENT EVENTS
M	=	PRESIDENTS
L	=	LINGUISHTIK
P	=	PROPAGANDA

All changes will be processed and you will receive via email prior to the tournament, a final packet containing:

- The list of all your players
- Their player numbers that they are required to put on all scoresheets
- Their teams
- The games they are playing
- Where each of your players will sit for the first rounds of each reading game
- The Section, table number and player number assigned to each of your players to use when determining where they sit for the rounds of the cube games.

Please share this information with your players, as they must have their player number to put on all scoresheets to get credit for their scores. Also, providing the gaming information to your group will ensure they are prepared and know where to sit for each game. While the seating information will be posted on the walls outside each of the playing areas, your students will save time if they have this information with them.

List of Combo Teams in Each Division

Also in the initial registration email are the lists of combination (combo) teams, made up of the individuals from yours and other areas who were not registered as a collective team. When you receive the registration confirmation email, please review the lists in each division to find your individual players. Confirm they are registered for all of the games they are playing and inform Rod Beard of any changes by the due date in the email. A final list will be provided prior to the tournament. When that is received, please tell each player what combo teams he/she is on for each game, which will help them to find their names on the scheduling lists for each game.

Tentative Section Assignments for Cube Games

Also in the initial registration email are the tentative section assignments for the cube games in each division. The assignments were made based upon the seeding information received from your area and the history of the last few tournaments. If there are egregious errors (two teams from the same school in the same section) or other considerations, please let Rod Beard (Rod.Beard@agloa.org) know by the due date in the email.

Hotel, Meals and Name Tag Verification

A few weeks before the national tournament, each person who submitted registration materials via email to Nancy Kinard will receive the following:

1. An email from Steve Wright with a proof of the final name tags. This should be reviewed by the time specified in the email and any changes or corrections provided. Only after the proofs are confirmed will the name tags be printed in final.
2. An email from Pam Champagne with an attached list that contains the hotel rooming assignments for your group. This list will provide specific rooms and the members of your party in each room. Any changes or corrections need to be provided by the time specified in the email.
3. An email from Nancy Kinard containing an invoice for any amounts still owed to AGLOA. This will list all meal plans purchased, optional lunches or extra t-shirt purchases, any payments or deposits made and how much is still owed to AGLOA. You will be asked that everyone who receives an invoice confirm that it is correct. This will expedite the process at the AGLOA Registration Table when your group arrives.

No Changes at the Tournament Other than for Emergencies

Because all registration information is provided weeks before the tournament with specific due dates to provide any corrections or identify any errors, registration changes will not be made at the tournament unless it is for circumstances that arose AFTER the final confirmation email message was sent to each registrant. Examples of such emergencies would be players getting sick or missing the bus or plane to the tournament.