

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

**Q: Am I allowed to use a calculator, protractor, or AI for the exam?**

A: No, please do not use any of those tools nor outside assistance while taking the exam. They are not allowed and any use of them is against the honor code.

**Q: Did I register successfully?**

A: If you submitted the google form, you should be registered! You can email us at [mathinviteforgirls@gmail.com](mailto:mathinviteforgirls@gmail.com) if you'd like to confirm.

**Q: How can I know how well I did?**

A: After submitting, you will immediately be able to see your score. However, if you would like to see exactly which questions you missed, you can email us.

**Q: Oh no! I overslept and missed the competition by an hour! Can I still submit?**

A: Sorry to hear that! You can still submit, but your score won't be considered for awards. Forms submitted after April 11, 2026 at 1:50 PM (10 minutes after the competition officially ends) will not be accepted to ensure that the competition is fair for everyone.

**Q: How can I prepare for the competition?**

A: On our website, <https://mathinviteforgirls.com/>, there are practice tests from previous years. We also suggest looking at previous AMC8 tests!

**Q: Quizbowl? What's that?**

A: One of our activities will be doing several QB style math questions in a competitive format!

**Guide to MIG QB:** (Note that the rules are slightly modified for simplicity. NAQT rules are slightly different.) <https://www.naqt.com/downloads/brief-rules.pdf>

- Thank you so much for participating! We hope that you will have fun. Quizbowl is an academic competition where students compete to be the fastest to buzz in and answer questions correctly. These are all math questions written in Quizbowl style.
- To practice, although this is just for fun (and a small prize for the winner), we suggest using [Protobowl](#) or [QBReader](#) and setting the category to math.
- To answer a question, you must first buzz in by using [Multibuzzer](#). We will share the code in chat. After the moderator sees that you have buzzed, only then can you answer.

- Answers that are blurted out or when you are not the first person to buzz will not be accepted. There is no penalty for buzzing in and answering a question incorrectly, but you cannot buzz in multiple times to the same question.
- The moderator may ask for more information if an answer is correct but incomplete. For example, if someone were to buzz in and say “triangle” when the answer is “equilateral triangle,” the moderator might ask "what type of triangle?"
- For each correct answer, you are awarded with 10 points. The person with the most points by the end of the game wins.

**Q: Who will the guest speakers be?**

A: Our guest speakers will be Ms. Linda Yao and Ms. Hannah Shu! We are so grateful for their participation.

Ms. Yao is a bilingual Mandarin-English leader with 15+ years of experience in Fortune 500 companies. She is the vice president of Lenovo’s Hybrid Cloud and AI Solutions, where she leads AI and cloud service practices. She previously served as COO and head of strategy for Lenovo’s Solutions & Services Group and held roles at Boeing and IBM in data science, M&A, finance, and project management. Linda holds degrees from Harvard and an engineering certificate from MIT, and she remains active with national education and arts foundations.

Hannah Shu is from Monterey, California and studies Electrical Engineering at Stanford University. Her interest in the field began in high school through her involvement in science fairs, and she is particularly interested in autonomous vehicles, sensing hardware, and signal processing. Outside of academics, she does college consulting, marketing for TreeHacks, and plays violin in the Stanford Symphony Orchestra.

**Q: What are the awards?**

A: The awards for winners in each grade are as follows:

1st Place: certificate, \$30 Amazon gift card

2nd Place: certificate, \$20 Amazon gift card

3rd Place: certificate, \$10 Amazon gift card

Honor Roll & Regional Winners: MIG certificate

Award Ceremony Activity Winners: \$10 Amazon gift card/each