



2021 Washington State Envirothon

Please review and sign the 2021 WA State Envirothon Competition Rules, and Virtual Testing Code of Conduct and send to Rosie McGoldrick at educationIP@kingcd.org by **May 12, 2021.**

2021 Virtual WA State Envirothon Competition Rules

1. Team members must be registered in grades 9-12 for the current school year.
2. Teams consist of five members from the same school, homeschool group, tribe or local organization. No more than two alternates may be substituted at the state contest without pre-approval by Washington State Envirothon (WSE) Committee. Teams with less than five members can participate at state but are not eligible to qualify for the NCF Envirothon. In the event of an emergency that would prevent a registered five-member team from competing in the State Envirothon, the WSE may allow a team to compete with fewer than five members. The respective team advisor must certify the legitimacy of the emergency. A review panel will determine if a penalty shall be assessed to a team in the oral presentation for the absence of a complete five-member team.
3. WSE shall consist of four testing stations based on soil/land use, forestry, wildlife, and aquatic ecology. Additionally, there will be an oral presentation based on the current environmental issue.
4. Judges' decisions are final on all events.
5. Scores for the four testing stations will be 100 points each and the Oral Presentation will be 200 points. The winning team is the team with the highest cumulative point total from the five test stations. Should there be a tie for the highest cumulative points the winning team will be determined first by their score from the Oral Presentation. If there is still a tie, the scores will be compared next by the Aquatic Ecology test, then the Forestry test, then the Wildlife test, and lastly the Soils/land use test.
6. During the competition, we encourage teams to wear their WA State Envirothon t-shirt that was mailed to them. If team members have not received their shirts in the mail, they are not allowed to wear any identifying clothing from the school or conservation district they are representing. They are also not allowed to have any school or conservation district identifying posters, flags or items in the background during the competition.
7. Rules are subject to change. Any and all relevant changes will be explained to all teams and advisors ahead of an affected Envirothon competition.
8. No outside study materials or unauthorized electronic devices (such as cell phones, ect.) will be allowed during oral prep or the day of competition. If a student uses unauthorized electronic devices or outside study materials during competition or competition prep, their team will be disqualified.



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Virtual Testing Code of Conduct For Washington State Envirothon Participants (To be completed by all Advisors, Proctors, Volunteers, and EVERY Team Member)

Envirothon participants have an excellent reputation for honesty, sportsmanship, and integrity. Your conduct at any Envirothon function should make a positive contribution to the reputation that has been established by those who have participated before you.

ADVISORS, PROCTORS, VOLUNTEERS, and TEAM MEMBERS

1. Washington State Envirothon and its participants operate on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical/mental challenges.
2. Participant's conduct is the responsibility of one's self at the event.
3. Participant's behavior always should be such that it reflects well on yourself, your county/district, and the Envirothon.

TEAM MEMBERS TESTING

1. All team members will receive the test links but only the Team Captain or their delegate will enter and submit the team's answers to each Google Form test within the 30-minute time limit.
2. For the duration of the tests, I will not use or attempt to use any personal items, such as:
 - Cameras
 - Phones
 - Any communication or recording devices
 - Watches with communication abilities
 - Personal notes and study materials, including printed copies of the Envirothon resources
 - Eyewear with any electronic modification
 - Any reference materials outside of the test
3. For the duration of the tests, I will not access any website other than the testing link and any other links that are directly embedded within the test. Teams will be allowed to use a blank shared document, like a Google Doc, to work together while taking the test.

BEHAVIOR

1. I will not engage in any conduct that creates a disturbance or interferes with testing operations.

UNSCHEDULED BREAKS

1. If I take a break during my session, I agree that I will not access any unauthorized items, and I understand that I will not receive additional time to complete the examination.

ASSISTANCE

1. I will not receive or attempt to receive assistance related to examination content from any person outside of my immediate team members for the duration of the testing period.
2. I will not provide or attempt to aid related to examination content to any other person outside of my immediate team members for the duration of the testing period.



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CONFIDENTIALITY

1. I acknowledge that the testing materials are the property of the Washington State Envirothon. I will maintain the confidentiality of these materials, including the questions and my answers to the questions.
2. I will not electronically capture or attempt to capture any test content from my computer screen. I will not take or distribute pictures of tests or copy tests through any means including screenshots, pictures, printing, downloading, recording, (unless specifically told to record by a Washington State Envirothon authorized representative).
3. I will not reproduce or attempt to reproduce examination materials through memorization or any other means. This prohibition includes but is not limited to discussing, posting, or disclosing information about the examination via email, social media, or any other internet presence. I understand this prohibition applies before, during, and after my test session.
4. I will only discuss the test with my immediate team members during the testing period. I will not disclose or discuss with anyone, including advisors and instructors, information about the items or answers in my test session until after the close of the competition.

ADVISORS

1. As a Team Advisor, I will work with the proctor to ensure that the team does not access materials of any form outside of the test.
2. As a Team Advisor, I will not assist in the test taking process including opening tests, providing answers, providing indirect information to formulate an answer, and will maintain testing integrity before, during and after the test session.
3. As a Team Advisor, I understand it is the team's responsibility to contact Washington State Envirothon with any test issues. Team captains contact Rosie McGoldrick at educationIP@kingcd.org or (206) 379-5258 within 24 hours of completing the test.

PROCTORS & VOLUNTEERS*

1. As a Proctor/Volunteer, I will work with the advisor to ensure that the team does not access materials of any form outside of the test.
2. As a Proctor or Volunteer, I will not assist in the test taking process including opening tests, providing answers, providing indirect information to formulate an answer, and will maintain testing integrity before, during, and after the test session.

I am a Team Member: Yes No

If yes, Team Name: _____

Team County: _____

I am an Advisor: Yes No

If yes, Team Name: _____

Team County: _____

I am a Proctor: Yes No

I am a Volunteer: Yes No

*Volunteers are those persons who are outside the WSE Committee that assist with the 2021 Virtual WA Envirothon State Competition by scoring and writing tests, etc. Examples: Conservation Partners from USDA NRCS, WACD, ect.



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FOR TEAM ADVISORS ONLY: Display of student work and photos taken during Envirothon Competition.

WSE takes screenshots of student activities during the Envirothon Competition for use in promotional information and reporting to funding agencies. These photos may be posted on the WSE website, used in promotional brochures and included in reports. We would like to use photographs of your student for these purposes. Initial _____

I give my permission to WSE to use photographs/screenshots of my student for promotional activities and reports without compensation. Initial _____

I do not give my permission to WSE to use photographs/screenshots of my student for promotional activities and reports without compensation. Initial

TEAM MEMBER, ADVISOR, PROCTOR/VOLUNTEER PLEASE SIGN BELOW

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE ABOVE 2021 VIRTUAL WA ENVIROTHON STATE COMPETITION RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Sign and email this form by **May 12, 2021** to Rosie McGoldrick at educationIP@kingcd.org.