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Aloha everyone!

We are all trying to recover from the financial crisis and the ripples it has caused throughout our state and within individual schools. As you and your school look for ways to maximize your budget and get the biggest bang for the smallest buck please consider joining the Hawai'i State Science Olympiad (HSSO) for this year's regional and statewide tournaments.

With a membership fee of ONLY \$75 and twenty-five exciting events that cover biology, chemistry, physics, health science, earth science, engineering and technology...Science Olympiad will excite, challenge and inspire students without breaking the bank. Science Olympiad Regional and Statewide Tournaments are open to ALL public, private, charter and home school students in grades 7 - 12. Membership forms can be downloaded from www.hssso.org.

HSSO is also working closely with several members of the travel industry to help support our neighbor island students and teachers. Please stay tuned and visit the HSSO website (www.hssso.org) for details.

To help support students, teachers and parents throughout the state we will be holding both a **Coaches Clinic and Elementary Science Olympiad (ESO) Workshop on Saturday, November 8th at Windward Community College on Oahu**. The Coaches Clinic will give students, parents, teachers and administrators a chance to meet and talk with individuals running our events at the statewide tournament. At the ESO workshop Kim Strong (a presenter at 2006 & 2007 NSTA Conferences) will guide Elementary teachers, parents and administrators through some of the 200+ events designed to stimulate the minds of our youngest scientists! The cost for both the Coaches Clinic and ESO Workshop is \$50 per person...registration forms can found at www.hssso.org. Don't delay...register today!

Some important dates to keep in mind:

- Saturday, November 8th - Coaches Clinic / ESO Workshop @ Windward Community College
- Membership Deadline: Friday, December 19th (membership forms can be downloaded from www.hssso.org)
- HSSO Leeward Regional Tournament (for Leeward District public, private, charter and home schools ONLY!): Saturday, February 7, 2009 @ Leeward Community College
- HSSO Statewide Tournament (for ALL public, private, charter and home schools): Saturday, March 7, 2009 @ Leeward Community College
- National Science Olympiad Tournament: May 15 - 16, 2009 @ Augusta State University - Augusta, GA

If you have any questions or concerns, please hesitate to email us at hisciolympiad@hotmail.com. Or you can email our State Director (Franklin Allaire) directly at allaire@hawaii.edu.

HSSO is a federally recognized 501(c)(3) non-profit organization associated with the National Science Olympiad. HSSO was started in 2005 through a local, grassroots effort to improve the quality of science education for students throughout the state of Hawai'i. Our mission is achieved through research, conversations with educators of all levels across Hawai'i, training and encouraging schools to participate in the annual regional and statewide Science Olympiad tournaments. Please visit www.hssso.org for more information about HSSO and www.soinc.org to learn more about the National Science Olympiad program.

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