



Australian Mathematics Competition

Thursday 1 August

Dear Parent

The [Australian Mathematics Competition \(AMC\)](#) has been held annually since 1978. Your child is invited to enter this internationally recognised competition.

One of the largest annual events on the Australian education calendar, the AMC was the first competition of its kind in Australia and is now one of the largest of its type in the world. More than 30 countries participate each year.

The competition aims to be accessible to all students from years 3 to 12, not just the mathematically gifted. There is an emphasis on problem solving, a valuable life skill, and the questions are designed to be fun for the student. The AMC consists of five separate papers, each with 30 questions in the Middle Primary (years 3 and 4), Upper Primary (years 5 and 6), Junior (years 7 and 8), Intermediate (years 9 and 10) and Senior (years 11 and 12) divisions. Time allowed is 60 minutes for the primary papers and 75 minutes for the secondary papers.

Over 1000 students share the prizes and around 50% of participants qualify to receive a Certificate of High Distinction, Distinction or Credit. All other entrants in the competition receive a Certificate of Participation or a Proficiency Certificate.

Although it is aimed at the average student, the AMC also identifies gifted students. A prestigious AMC medal is awarded to students with an outstanding result, both within a State or country and overall in the competition. All Australian prize winners in 2019 will be given free entry to the 2019 [Australian Intermediate Mathematical Olympiad \(AIMO\)](#), which is the first screening competition for the prestigious Australian Mathematical Olympiad Committee Invitational Program.

The AMC is run by the not-for-profit Australian Maths Trust (AMT). The problems created for AMC papers are set to the highest possible standards by volunteer teams of the most experienced mathematics teachers and academics in the country.

In order to prepare students for the AMC try our [online practice problems](#). Our website www.amt.edu.au also provides details of other valuable mathematics and informatics enrichment programs offered by the AMT.

You can contact the AMT office by emailing amc@amt.edu.au or phoning (02) 6201 5136 within Australia or +61 2 6201 5136 from outside Australia. You can also find us on [Facebook](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#) to keep up to date with events. We recommend the AMC to you as an opportunity to encourage your child in the study of mathematics.

To give your child this valuable experience, please complete the consent form on page 2.

Best wishes

Nathan Ford
Chief Executive Officer
Australian Mathematics Trust

Australian Mathematics Competition Consent Form

School: _____

I give my child permission to sit the Australian Mathematics Competition on Thursday 1 August 2019.
My child has permission to miss normal classes to participate in this event.

Name of child: _____

Class: _____

Teacher: _____

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Date: _____

Please return this form together with payment to your child's school.
Your child will receive an individual certificate and report showing their complete AMC results.