

## High School Fed Challenge 2010 Changes in procedures and rules

### Eligibility and signup

1. All schools may enter one (1) team per school. For schools that want to organize practice or other competitions for their second or third teams, we are happy to facilitate by sending out advisor email addresses to any faculty advisors who might be interested in arranging for this.
2. Each school can enter its team in *either* the Competitive or the Noncompetitive division. With some small exceptions noted below, the Competitive division will operate as before. The Noncompetitive division will change slightly and combine features of last year's Alternative and Noncompetitive division. See Pt. 8, below for more details.
3. All signups and materials distribution will be electronic via our website or email. It is the responsibility of faculty advisors and student participants to check the website for notices and posted materials, and to read all emails carefully. There cannot be exceptions to this policy. Teams are encouraged to sign up for an email alert which will let them know changes are posted to the site.
4. We will also ask students for their email addresses this year. This is not required and we will still send all material through faculty advisors. However, we would like to be able to survey students about the program and this is facilitated if we have their email addresses.

### Competition schedule and format

5. All first rounds for both Competitive and Noncompetitive teams will be conducted at the New York Fed on two days in April.
6. Semi finals and finals for Competitive schools will be held on ONE day at the New York Fed; semis in the morning, finals in the afternoon. (There is no semifinal or final round for the Noncompetitive division.) The winner will be announced at the end of the day's competition.
7. The winner of the upstate competition will automatically be included in the Second District semifinals.
8. The Noncompetitive division will be structured similarly to last year's Alternative competition. There will be suggested graphs and questions to be answered. However, presentations will be 15 minutes, with 10 minutes of questions. Teams will not be given numerical scores, but will receive extensive written comments and feedback from the judges.
9. First round and semi final presentations will use only paper presentations and handouts. No computers or projectors will be used. Students and faculty advisors must bring 10 paper copies of their handouts with them the day of competition.
10. The final competition may use computers. All semi finalists should come to the New York Fed with their electronic files on a flash drive to be loaded onto a New York Fed computer.

### Other logistics

11. Because of increased burden on staff, we will not be able to arrange or conduct gold vault tours for students on competition days. As always, high school groups or individual students are welcome to come for a tour on any day the New York Fed is open. If you are interested in a tour this spring, we encourage you to sign up as soon as possible at: [http://www.newyorkfed.org/aboutthefed/ny\\_tours.html](http://www.newyorkfed.org/aboutthefed/ny_tours.html)