

Kickoff 2012

Meet the Scientist (MTS) Overview Document

Thank you being a Scientist Who Will Be Met! This is the key part of the Kickoff not only because you are a model for computational science careers but also because you counsel the students about their projects. Good conversations about doable projects that have data are critical to the teams getting off to a good start post-Kickoff. Thank you for helping them get their project planning forms completed and signing off on them. There is one attached here. Additionally, there is information for the students about Proposals at <http://supercomputingchallenge.org/proposals>.

There are three kinds of MTS sessions at this year's Kickoff.

For Middle School students, we are offering a session on Careers in Computational Science. We may ask some of you to help with one of those sessions. Middle School teams that have Project Proposals will attend one of the MTS sessions. These students may have had or be enrolled in Algebra 1.

High School Students will attend Meet the Scientist sessions in Fidel over the course of the weekend in one of four sessions in Fidel. These sessions will also include an

opportunity for teams to visit with a Technical Writing Team. An outline for the MTS sessions is included in this mailing.

Finally, the most experienced students will have more programming and content courses than the other tracks and do not have an MTS class set aside for them. These students still need to complete the form and review with it one of you. Please seek them out during lunch and in breaks in their schedule. Perhaps you can arrange quick appointments in the evening.

Thank you all for your huge support of the Challenge. We couldn't do it without your commitment of time and your special expertise.

Please send a message with questions or remarks to clarify the MTS process to Peter Yanke pyanke@bxinternet.com or consult@challenge.nm.org.

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