

TEAM FLORIDA

TEAM FLORIDA will consist of six students, three chosen from each division-winning team and three chosen from the remaining teams. These six students earning this distinction will represent the state at the Panasonic Academic Challenge. The head coach is chosen on a rotating basis with the honor going to Division 1 in 2009. **Expenses for registrations and rooms for these six students and head coach are provided by several benefactors.**

Qualifications

1. The student must be a member of a Commissioner's Academic Challenge district team.
2. The student should plan to attend the Awards Ceremony, Wednesday, April 22, 2009.
3. A photo release form must be completed and on file in the CAC office.
4. The student must be willing to make a commitment of time from June 11-16, 2009.

Selection

1. Coach's ranking

Coaches may use the following criteria in ranking their team members:

- Number of overall questions answered in contest(s) prior to the CAC.
- Role as a *team* player
- Individual statistics, previous recognitions, overall GPA, etc.

It is sometimes difficult to choose one student over another; however, it will be necessary for each coach to rank his/her six team members. We feel that coach recommendations are most important in this selection process. **Please--no ties!**

2. Scoring by designated evaluators:

- The scoring of each team member will take place during the opening rounds for each division. Additional scoring will take place as needed.
- Individual scoring will be kept by evaluators. Because this contest is a team effort, any member of a team may answer questions during competition. Team members will be observed for accuracy of responses, assisting team members and sportspersonship.

3. The coaches of the division-winning districts will select one member of their teams for TEAM FLORIDA. The remaining three members will be selected to complement the strengths of these named students.
4. Final selection of TEAM FLORIDA will be made by the committee of evaluators and the Tournament Director.