

# **MATH KANGAROO USA**

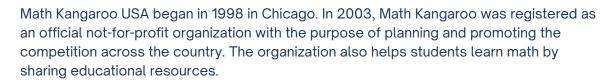
## **ABOUT**

Math Kangaroo USA is a national nonprofit organization with a mission of helping students love math. For 27 years, Math Kangaroo has organized an annual international mathematical competition for students in grades 1-12. The competition consists of a singular round that is taken on the same date (the third Thursday of March) by thousands of students at a registered center. Math Kangaroo's focus is on improving students' math scores and teaching them new strategies for solving word and logic problems.



## **HISTORY**

The idea for an annual math competition was started in the 1980s by Australian mathematician Peter O'Halloran. The competition questions tested students' basic computational skills, logical thinking, and problem-solving strategies with creative, imaginative, and intriguing problems. The competition was implemented in France in 1995 using the moniker "Kangaroo" to recognize the Australian origins. The competition quickly spread to other countries.





# There are over 839 Math Kangaroo centers across all 50 states and some U.S. territories Over 370,000 students have participated in the Math Kangaroo competition over the past 25 years Competition questions are submitted by mathematicians from over 107 countries around the world

### **TESTIMONIALS**

THROUGH THE PAST TEN YEARS COMPETING IN MATH KANGAROO, I'VE GROWN TO APPRECIATE THE UNIQUE PROBLEMS THAT MATH KANGAROO POSES, FOCUSING MORE ON LOGICAL THINKING RATHER THAN THE MATH FACTS AND MEMORIZATION OF OTHER POPULAR MATH COMPETITIONS. THIS COMPETITION HAS HELPED ME LEARN TO THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX, A SKILL ESSENTIAL IN MATH AND DOZENS OF OTHER FIELDS.







