



MATH KANGAROO USA

ABOUT

Inspiring a passion for mathematics, Math Kangaroo USA is a national nonprofit dedicated to helping students love math. For 28 years, Math Kangaroo has organized an annual international mathematics competition for students in grades K–12. The competition consists of a single round administered on the same date (the third Thursday of March) to thousands of students at registered centers. Math Kangaroo focuses on improving students' math skills 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. In 1995, the competition took a significant step when it was implemented in France under the moniker "Kangaroo" to recognize the Australian origins. From there, the competition quickly spread to other countries.

Building on this international momentum, Math Kangaroo USA began in 1998 in Chicago. In 2003, Math Kangaroo was registered as an official not-for-profit organization with the purpose of planning and promoting the competition nationwide. The organization also helps students learn math by sharing educational resources.



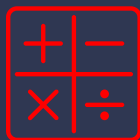
FAST FACTS



There are over 1080 Math Kangaroo centers across all 50 states and some U.S. territories



Over 425,000 students have participated in the Math Kangaroo competition over the past 28 years



Competition questions are submitted by mathematicians from over 110 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.



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