

AACS NATIONAL COMPETITION GENERAL INFORMATION

APRIL 10-12, 2012

REGISTRATION

1. Please complete the “blue” School Registration Form on the day state winners are announced in your state and return immediately to your State Competition Director. Please check with your state association for any additional information.
2. Bob Jones University will not be conducting a pre-registration for housing or meals prior to arrival on campus. The only exception to this is for those who plan to arrive before Tuesday, April 10 (see Fees, “Early Arrivals,” Paragraph 2b & d below).
3. Registration will be in the Rodeheaver Auditorium on Tuesday, April 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please make plans to arrive no later than 5:00 p.m. Students are required to stay through the Awards Program (approximately 9:00 p.m.) on Thursday night, April 12. Students may stay through breakfast on Friday, April 13.
4. Schools must register as a group and not as individuals. **Absolutely no student may register himself or herself.** One or two sponsors must come to the registration area and pay the room and board fees for the entire group. Residence Hall rooms cannot be assigned without payment.

FEES

1. Competition fees for groups and individuals are payable to AACS. **The School Registration Form, Student/Sponsor Forms, and competition fees must be submitted to your State Competition Director, who in turn will send them to the AACS National Office to arrive on or before March 19, 2012.** The competition fees are as follows:
 - a. Individual Competition - \$14 per contestant for each category entered.
 - b. Group Competition - \$14 per person in each group with a maximum of \$140 per group category entered.
2. **Room and board fees are payable to Bob Jones University upon arrival on April 10, 2012.**

The fees are:

 - a. \$40 per person for meals and lodging. This includes the Tuesday noon meal through Friday breakfast.
 - b. Early Arrivals may stay on campus Monday night at an additional cost of \$5 per person.
 - c. \$5 per person “BJU Maintenance Fee” for students and sponsors who do not stay in the residence halls. Individual meal tickets may be purchased at BJU Information Desk for those who would like to eat in the Dining Common (\$4.75 breakfast, \$6 lunch, \$6 dinner).
 - d. Early arrivals (before Tuesday, April 10) must contact the BJU Guest Reservations Office at (864) 242-5100, ext. 3120, no later than March 26.
3. Name badges serve as meal tickets. A \$5 fee will be charged for lost or misplaced name badges.

HOUSING

1. All contestants (except those who live within 150 miles of Greenville, SC) will be required to stay in the University residence halls. Groups are assigned to the same general residence hall area. Because of the number of participants, specific room requests will not be accommodated with the exception of participants who have a brother or sister in school at Bob Jones University.

2. **Male and female sponsors must be provided to stay in the residence hall with their group.** Schools are required to provide one sponsor to stay in a residence hall for each group of fifteen students in the residence hall. For example:

1-15 boys = 1 male sponsor	16-30 boys = 2 male sponsors	31-45 boys = 3 male sponsors
1-15 girls = 1 female sponsor	16-30 girls = 2 female sponsors	31-45 girls = 3 female sponsors

We regret that due to limited space in the residence halls additional sponsors above these requirements must make off-campus housing arrangements. (See attached list of motels).

3. Sponsors are asked to secure student medical release forms (that will authorize treatment in case of an emergency) from parents for each student. **In the event of a medical emergency while at Bob Jones University the Greenville Emergency Medical Service will be called. BJU’s Public Safety department will assist with minor injuries, but BJU’s campus infirmary cannot treat medical emergencies.**
4. Contestants and sponsors must supply their own bedding (for single beds) and bath linens. Sleeping bags are permissible.
5. Please note: Residence halls close at 10:30 p.m.

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PARKING

1. Groups arriving by bus, motor home, campers, etc., are to stop at the Welcome Center upon arrival to secure special parking instructions.
2. Individual cars will observe ordinary campus parking procedures.

TELEPHONE

Contestants may be contacted in case of emergency through BJU residence hall switchboard operators at (864) 271-5000. The switchboard will have a list of all room assignments after 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10.

DRESS/CONDUCT CODE

1. Please observe the "Dress and Conduct Code" section (listed below) of the National Competition Manual (pages 2-3).

The AACS believes that its National Competition should have the highest standards of competition and Christian testimony. Therefore, because this event is the highest level of competition for AACS students in the nation, all participating students and adult sponsors are expected to display the utmost respect for and strict adherence to these standards. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. The Dress Code and Conduct Code must be followed at all times—whether during a competition or apart from a competition, whether on campus or off campus.

Girls' and ladies' skirts will be to the middle of the knee or longer, and necklines will not be exceedingly low or open in the front or back. No slacks or shorts may be worn outside the residence halls.

Boys and men will wear neat shirts with a collar and dress slacks. The shirts should remain tucked in at all times. Hair should be short—off the collar and ears, one inch above the eyebrows, tapered in the back, combed, with no long sideburns. No beards or mustaches will be permitted for students. Jeans are not to be worn on the host campus.

Shorts or tank tops are not allowed outside the residence halls. Sunbathing is not permitted anywhere on campus.

Appropriate dress for the evening programs includes the following: Boys/men—dress slacks, dress shoes, dress shirt with collar, neck tie, and preferably a sport coat or suit; Girls/ladies—Sunday-type dress outfit, and dress shoes. [Please note that hose are no longer required.]

2. Please observe the Conduct Code section (listed below) of the National Competition Manual (page 3).

The conduct of students is expected to meet the standard for believers in I Timothy 4:12. Patience, kindness, and good sportsmanship are to be displayed at all times for all students, sponsors, parents, and visitors. Insubordination or disruptive behavior by any student, sponsor, parent, or visitor toward any judge(s) or competition official(s) will not be tolerated. Behavior which does not exemplify a Christian will be grounds for disqualification from competition and/or expulsion from the campus.

AACS participants are expected to abide by the same regulations as BJU students.

Violating AACS or BJU disciplinary rules and regulations may result in disqualification from all events and/or disqualification from the following year's competition. The AACS National Competition Office will make the final decision in all disciplinary situations.

Any individual or group practicing during AACS chapels, or not attending chapel or other required services, will be disqualified from all events and/or disqualified from the following year's competition. The disqualification of one or more students for the following year's competition may be extended to the school.

Individuals or groups not attending dormitory evening prayer group will have their names and their school's name submitted to the AACS National Competition Office.

Any individual vandalizing or stealing the property of BJU or of a BJU student will be subject to disqualification and possible immediate expulsion from the campus at the individual's expense.

Inappropriate behavior during the chapel services or the evening programs could result in a school's disqualification from all events and/or disqualification from the following year's competition. This includes inappropriate behavior in response to the presentation of awards to groups and individual students during the Thursday night Awards Program. The result of such behavior can be the recall of presented awards and/or exclusion from the following year's competition.

AACS participants are to remain on campus at all times, unless under the supervision of an adult staff member from his/her school.