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Dear Math Coordinator,

I am writing to inform you of the **2009 High School Math Contest**. Please share this information with your high school's academic coach, interested faculty members and students. This contest is a challenging exam which emphasizes creativity, logic and problem solving skills. The contest will be held in the Wes Watkins Center on OSU's Stillwater Campus on Thursday, October 1, 2009, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. All participants must be registered by September 18, 2009, to be eligible to sit for the exam. The registration form is available online at <http://www.math.okstate.edu/hsc2009>. Please mail or fax a completed form by the above deadline.

All juniors and seniors with an interest in mathematics are highly encouraged to participate. Students in earlier grades who have a strong background and aptitude for mathematics are also eligible, and are welcome to join the event. The 2008 exam, solutions, and related material may be found on the website <http://www.math.okstate.edu/hsc2008>. The contest will be in two parts. The first part consists of multiple choice questions and is for a duration of 75 minutes. The second part consists of longer questions, where the correctness and elegance of solutions will be considered while grading, will be for a duration of 90 minutes. There will be a 15 minute break between the two parts. Every high school may also designate one team of three students whose ranks will determine the school's team score. Each team member also competes in the exam as an individual and is eligible for all the individual prizes. Any student wishing to participate on his/her high school team should discuss this with their high school math teacher or the math team's sponsor. We request a materials fee of 5 dollars per student, payable in advance or on the day of the exam. Please contact us in case of needing financial aid. Out of state entrants more than 150 miles from Stillwater should also contact us. Off-site Test is possible. All other information including an announcement, parking instructions, and a campus map are available on the contest website <http://www.math.okstate.edu/hsc2009>.

Questions about the exam or its administration should be addressed to the Math Contest Coordinator at hsc@math.okstate.edu or at (405) 744-5688. For other questions and concerns about OSU, you may also contact the Office of High School and College Relations at 1-800-852-1255 if you are outside the state of Oklahoma, or 1-800-233-5019 Ext. 3 if you are within the state.

I look forward to seeing you and your students in the OSU Stillwater Campus for the contest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Raghuram'.

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