

Steps to setup your USABO Club

1. Identify a teacher or administrator to be your club sponsor.
2. Have your teacher or administrator register for the USABO.
3. Register for the USABO once your teacher or administrator has registered your school.
4. Recruit students via social media, posters and fliers.
5. Recruitment advice from student Alexander Chan (Rowland High School):
 - First, a student needs to have some courage and not be intimidated by the USABO. I believe trying out for the USABO is very tough and a student is not obligated by anyone to make it through to the next round.
 - Second, there are more people who are interested in the USABO in your school than you think. I sent a post through my Facebook Wall and sent a post to the Science Olympiad team Group Page, the IB group page, and other Facebook group pages that might be interested in the Biology Olympiad.
 - Third, I found a teacher that was willing to sponsor and set a fixed cost to cover the expenses of registration for the participants and set the date of the competition.
 - Fourth, I sent an e-mail to all the Science Olympiad Club members at our school. (I asked the club president for permission to advertise the USABO with the name of Science Olympiad. I am the Science Olympiad club Secretary.)
 - Fifth, since our Science Olympiad team is very prominent among the Science Department in our school, I sent an email to all the Science teachers in our school asking them to mention the USABO to their students.
 - Sixth, I designed a flier for the USABO and posted 80 of them around my school, and in classrooms. Click [here](#) to see my flier.
6. Acquaint them with the topic areas of the exam:
 - Cell Biology
 - Plant Anatomy and Physiology
 - Animal Anatomy and Physiology
 - Ethology
 - Genetics and Evolution
 - Ecology
 - Biosystematics
 - Bioinformatics (*optional*)
 - Neurobiology (*optional*)