**Competition A**: Open to all students.

## Vectors (Conference Graphing Calculator)

- SWSC I Vector addition; norm (magnitude) of a vector; scalar multiplication; inner (dot) product; parallel, orthogonal (perpendicular) vectors; no 3-space. Specify form of answer. Vectors will be in form <a, b>.
- SWSC III Include angle between vectors; angle between lines; 3-space <a, b, c>. Specify form of answer.

## Series and Sequences (No Calculator)

- SWSCI Arithmetic, Geometric; nth term, sum of n terms, sum of infinite geometric
- SWSC III add harmonic, recursive, other number patterns derived from combinations of arithmetic and geometric sequences; may include one non-traditional sequence/series.

## Competition B: Closed to Seniors

## Systems of Equations (No Calculator)

- SWSC I Literals of 2 x 2 system; 2 or 3 variables over rationals; describe system as consistent/dependent, consistent/independent, or inconsistent; no quadratic-linear systems; no word problems; no quadratic-quadratic systems; May include 1/x + 2/y, etc.
- SWSC III May include quadratic-linear or quadratic-quadratic systems; no word problems.

## Right Triangle Geometry (Conference Graphing Calculator) General restrictions: NO TRIG

- SWSC I Pythagorean theorem; may use 30-60-90 and 45-45-90 right triangle exact relationships; may use similar triangle problems, may include plane figures that can be reduced to right triangles.
- SWSC III May include one simple application.

# **Competition C:** Closed to Juniors and Seniors

### Word Problems (Conference Graphing Calculator)

- SWSC I Two of the problems may be non-routine; may involve a 2 x 2 system; no quadratics; no digit problems.
- SWSC III may include at most one digit problem

### Linear Functions (No Calculator)

- SWSC I Use of function notation; write the equation of a linear function in slope-intercept form; know x and y intercepts (values or ordered pairs); may include parallel and perpendicular lines.
- SWSC III At most one application problem.

### Competition D: Open to Freshmen Only

### Linear Equations and Inequalities (No Calculator)

- Contest I May include rational coefficients. No literals.
- Contest III May include at most one literal equation; at most one equation which 'reduces' to a linear equation; no literals in inequalities.

### **Exponents & Radicals (No Calculator)**

- SWSC I No fractional exponents (except ½); illustrate properties of exponents, simplify square roots, addition and subtraction of square roots
- SWSC III Simplify expressions with exponents with variables; no fractional exponents (except ½); add multiplication division of square roots; domain for variables positive reals.

**Competition A**: Open to all students.

## Trigonometric Word Problems (Conference Graphing Calculator)

- SWSC II Problems will require the use of right triangle trig to solve. Answers may be exact, rounded or in terms of a trig function.
- SWSC IV Problems may require the use of law of cosines and/or law of sines to solve. Answers may be exact, rounded or in terms of a trig function.

## Matrix Algebra (No Calculator)

- SWSC II Addition, subtraction, multiplication; inverse (2 x 2); determinants (2 x 2); solve simple matrix equations; sum of the dimensions must be no greater than eight; original matrix integers.
- SWSC IV determinant (3 x 3); inverse (3 x 3); adjoint; cofactor; transpose (notation for A transpose will be  $A^{T}$ ).

### Competition B: Closed to Seniors

## Ratio/Proportion/Variation (Conference Graphing Calculator)

SWSC II either linear solving or at most 2 x 2 linear system to solve; at most one application problem add quadratic equations to solve; 3 x 3 linear systems which can be solved on graphing calculator, may include applications

### Area/Perimeter/Volume (No Calculator)

SWSC II Area and Perimeter only; may include solution via solving a system of equations SWSC IV add volume.

### Competition C: Closed to Juniors and Seniors

### **Polynomials (No Calculator)**

SWSC II Addition, subtraction, multiplication; degree, coefficient, evaluation, number of terms SWSC IV Add division

### Probability (No Calculator)

SWSC II Sample space, dice, coins, boy and girl children or similar to this, keep it simple SWSC IV Independent, dependent, no combinations or permutations.

### **Competition D:** Open to Freshmen Only

### Linear Word Problems (Conference Graphing Calculator)

- SWSC II Age, integer, and coin problems; equations must be linear with integral coefficients and easily solvable; systems are not required for solutions.
- SWSC IV May also include one number, simple motion, mixture, or simple perimeter problem; no digit problems; systems are not necessary for solutions.

### **Graphs (No Calculator)**

- SWSC II Identify quadrants, x-axis, y-axis, origin; identify coordinates of points; identify x-intercepts and y- intercepts given a graph
- SWSC IV Add identify the slope, intercepts and equation of a line given its graph; identify the point of intersection given two graphs.