

U.S. Stockholm Junior Water Prize State Winner FAQ's

I have just won my states Stockholm Junior Water Prize (SJWP) competition. What happens now?

As a state winner, you will receive an email from the national organizer Stevi Hunt-Cottrell on May 5th with explicit instructions on entering the national competition along with instructions and deadlines for making travel arrangements, as well as various forms that need to be completed and returned

What do I do now?

Now that you have been named the SJWP state winner, **you must actually enter the national competition**. Before doing that, however, you should review your paper one more time to make any updates or changes. Once you are satisfied with your paper, go to www.sjwp.org, click on the Eligibility and Entry block, scroll and click on the National SJWP Competition tab, click the link to Enter Competition, complete the form and upload your paper.

Where is the competition being held?

The 2019 National SJWP competition will be held at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

What are the dates of the national competition?

The dates of the 2019 SJWP competition is June 13–June 16. Students will arrive on Thursday, June 13 and must depart the campus no later than 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 16th.

What costs will I be responsible for?

There will be no charge for your airfare, meals or accommodations once you reach the university. Students should bring money to cover such things as food at the airport, incidentals, or souvenirs. Transportation from John Glenn Columbus International Airport to the University and back will be covered.

Who makes my travel arrangements?

Unless your sponsoring Water Environment Federation (WEF) State Member Association instructs you otherwise, **you must make your airline reservations through the WEF's travel agency**. Information on how to proceed with this will be contained in the packet you will receive from the national organizer.

Do I need to have a presentation board at the SJWP national competition?

Yes, students and judges will use it for reference during the judging. All presentations must be of uniform size. To accommodate you, a- 48x36 presentation board will be supplied onsite by the Water Environment Federation. Students may either ship or bring their materials with them to the competition. It is recommended that students pack their project materials so that they can take them on the plane. This can be done by putting your materials in a tube which

can be stored in the overhead luggage area. This will not only save you money on shipping expenses, since students are responsible for the cost of shipping but also guarantee the timely arrival of your materials.

How do I get my poster display to the competition?

You may ship your poster via FedEx or UPS at your own expense, or you can roll your posters into a tube and bring it with you on the plane to assemble onsite. The SJWP will provide one standard sized tri-fold presentation board to each student who request one free of charge.

Are my parents or teacher invited to the SJWP national competition?

Parents, teachers, and guests may attend the competition at their own expense. It should be noted; however, that all events are private, other than the judging, awards ceremony, and dessert reception. There will not be an opportunity for parents or guests to visit with the students at any other time. It is suggested that if parents, teachers, or guests attend, that they research Charlotte activities to do at other times.

Students will be housed on campus and will not have the opportunity to join their parents, teachers, or guests for meals or activities until after departure.

May my parents or chaperone make their travel arrangements at the same time as I do?

Yes. Parents, teachers, and guests may use the same approved travel agency as the students to get reservations together. Parents, teachers, and guests will need to supply the travel agency with their credit card number for airline charges. Student's travel will be charged to the WEF account.

Where will I stay during the competition?

Students will be assigned a room at Holshouser Hall dormitory with another participant of the same gender.

May my parents, teacher, or guest stay at the dormitory?

No. Only students, and official SJWP volunteers may stay on campus. All others should make a reservation at a local hotel.

May I stay at the hotel with my parents?

No, students must stay on campus. Students will be assigned a room at Holshouser Hall dormitory with another participant of the same gender.

Will my entire team participate at the SJWP national competition?

Yes. If you are part of a team, your entire team may attend and participate in the national competition.

Must I be present at the SJWP national competition?

Yes. All state winners must attend the competition and be present at the awards ceremony. If you are part of a team, only one member must attend.

Is the judging a closed event?

No. The judging is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

May I visit my guests or relatives that are in the competition city during the competition?

No. Students should plan their visits for before or after the competition dates.