# Talking Points for Potential Sponsors and Mentors

## What is Science Olympiad?

"Science Olympiad is a national non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of K-12 science education, increasing male, female and minority interest in science, creating a technologically-literate workforce and providing recognition for outstanding achievement by both students and teachers." – Science Olympiad Inc.

## What types of events are included in Science Olympiad?

Science Olympiad teams compete in 23 events including events focused on engineering, biology, chemistry, physics, computer science, math, and general inquiry skills. Past examples include Robot Arm, Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry Lab, Thermodynamics, Game On, Fermi Questions, and Experimental Design.

#### How has Solon High School Science Olympiad performed?

Solon High School Science Olympiad is one of the top teams in both Ohio and the nation. The team has won the state tournament five times and the national tournament three times in the past ten years. This past year, we placed second in Ohio and third at the 2017 National Tournament. Our team currently holds both the state and national records for best team score at the respective competitions.

# How can you help our program?

- Provide expertise or mentoring to our students
- Discounted or donated event materials and supplies
- Sponsoring our annual invitational hosting 60 teams
- Discounted or donated food and supplies for our invitational
- Donations to support our operating and travel expenses

### What can Solon High School Science Olympiad provide in return?

- Lasting relationships with bright young minds interested in STEM careers
- Tax deduction forms for any gifts
- Advertising on team shirts, at our invitational, or on our website

#### Who can I contact on the team to get involved?

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