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Subject: Regional Congress Registration reminder, education quizzes and clinic updates

Good evening, MDNAWGJ Judges,

I hope you're all staying warm and perhaps making the most of the snow — whether that's through an epic snowball fight, a cozy night by the fire, or maybe a well-deserved glass (or two... or three) of wine. If you've had children home all week, you've certainly earned it!

Now, down to business — I wanted to send a quick but important reminder regarding several key items that need your attention. We're entering a busy time of year, not only with upcoming competitions but also as we prepare for testing ahead for the next quadrennial.

Our Maryland Education Committee, led by the ever-dedicated Madam Myra, has been hard at work developing quizzes, practice tests, and organizing our February Virtual Clinic. Please see the details below for dates, times, and links to our resources — all of which are available on our website for your convenience.

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A few important notes and deadlines to keep in mind:

- Practice quiz deadline to be posted by 2/6/26 answers will be posted 2/17/26
- The Region 7 Congress enrollment deadline is February 9th, so don't miss out!

MDNAWGJ judges have a long history of excellence. We spend countless hours reviewing material, working on quizzes, attending clinics and camps, and using tools like flashcards. Over the years, we have also been fortunate to learn from many outstanding mentors, including Myra Elfenbein Lynn Perrott and Linda Johnson to name a few.

We take studying very seriously because our goal is not simply to pass, but to excel. When we excel, we provide our athletes—who work extremely hard themselves—with scoring that is reputable, fair, and consistent.

Please do not take this testing lightly. It is not just about the test; it is about what you learn along the way. The quizzes and clinics provided are essential. During our breaks at competitions, even when they are short, let's take the time to discuss values, review rules, talk through the quizzes, and yes— work on Myra's puzzles.

Regional Congress Group Registration DUE BY 2/9/26

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1spyhssDCfnX4PVwtbZiOQEpQN1LTESD0TuXY1-cGcWM/edit?ts=69418c50>

Quizzes and Educational Information

**The first quiz will be posted on our Website later this week by 2/6/26
the answers will not be published on the website until 2.17.26**

I encourage you to reach out to the education committee, to review the quizzes.

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Virtual Clinic February 18,2026 6:30 pm-8:00pm Not Sanctioned no CPE

Identifying elements , combinations

A zoom Link will be sent out 5 days prior to the clinic

WE encourage all to attend

Availability

PLEASE PLEASE update your availability

A huge shout out and thank you to all judges who have assisted with rescheduling of meets due to weather,

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out — you can email or text me anytime. If I happen to be outdoors shoveling snow (or sampling one of those aforementioned glasses of wine), I promise I'll get back to you as soon as possible!

Stay warm, stay safe, and thank you for all that you do!

Warm regards,
Jane

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