



NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL Competition 2026



Bank of Namibia

Attention High Schools Nationwide!

Looking for an exhilarating challenge? Then don't miss out on this opportunity to take part in the National High School Competition 2026.

We are calling on learners in Grades 8–12 from all secondary schools across the country to come and show their mettle.

All secondary schools registered with the Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture in Namibia, may participate in the Bank of Namibia National High School Competition 2026. Schools that are interested in participating in the competition should register online by visiting the Bank of Namibia's website at www.bon.com.na before **Friday, 12 June 2026**. Alternatively, schools that do not have internet access should contact their regional liaison person at the respective regional education offices to register.

The winners of the competition will walk away with the prizes.

- 1 First Prize **N\$ 50 000.00**
- 2 Second Prize **N\$ 30 000.00**
- 3 Third Prize **N\$ 10 000.00**
- 4 Fourth Prize **Wi-Fi Router – Pre-loaded**

Have questions?
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GENERAL COMPETITION INFORMATION:

The regional competition will take place in the month of July 2026 (exact dates will be communicated in due course). The national competition will take place in September 2026 (exact dates will be communicated in due course). Each learner participating in the national competition will receive a prestigious certificate of participation.

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COMPETITION FORMAT

REGIONAL COMPETITION:

- Learners will form four-member teams that will gather at the selected venue together with their teacher.
- Teams will wait in a holding area whilst the competition is in progress.
- During the regional phase of the competition, only one team together with their teacher will be allowed to enter the questioning area to appear before judges and they will be required to answer a set of 10 questions orally within 30 seconds per question.
- Learners may work together within their teams to arrive at the correct answer, but only one team captain may respond or present the answer to the judges.
- Points will be given for the number of questions answered correctly within the time limits.
- After questioning time, the learners will be kept in a separate holding area where they are not allowed to come into contact with learners that have not been questioned yet.
- The next team will then enter, and the same process will continue.
- Once all the scores have been calculated and verified, if teams end up with equal scores, they will then compete in sudden death.

- A new set of questions will be used and the team with the highest total score will be declared the winner of the regional competition.

NATIONAL COMPETITION:

The fourteen winning regional teams will participate in the semi-final and final competition in Windhoek. The relevant teams will therefore travel to the capital (Windhoek), to partake in these events over two days.

Day 1 – Semi-Final:

The semi-final round of the competition will take place in the same format as the Regional Competition format at the Bank of Namibia. The top four teams will go through to compete in the final round of the Competition the next day.

Day 2 – Finale:

- The Grand Finale will take place during a prestigious evening event and buzzers will be built into this event.
- The top four teams that emerged from the semi-final leg of this competition will compete for the winning position in the final round.
- The competition will commence in the form of a game show with typical quiz questions. Teams will be tested in front of a panel of judges and a live audience.
- During this phase of the competition, two teams will now compete at the same time for the same set of questions.
- The team that hits the buzzer first gets the question first.
- The other two teams will be in a holding area as the same questions will be posed to them.
- The time allocation to answer questions will be increased to 1 minute.
- Two teams with the same total number of points will have to go into sudden death; the same format will be used for sudden death until the tie is broken.
- Once the judges have calculated the points of each team, the top two teams will be identified and the winners will be announced.

PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

REGIONAL

Schools that are interested in participating in the competition should contact the regional liaison person at the respective regional education offices in writing. Alternatively, they may also visit the Bank of Namibia website at www.bon.com.na and register online on or before 12 June 2026.

The participating school is responsible for its own selection of its top four learners to represent their school in this competition.

Learners from Grades 8 to 12 may participate. The participating schools will be responsible for their own transport and accommodation fees to the regional competition venue.

REGIONAL

- Only the regional winners will represent their respective regions.
- The Bank of Namibia will cover the travel, accommodation and meal expenses of all regional winners travelling to Windhoek;
- The teams must be accompanied by one teacher per school only;
- Learners are required to wear school uniforms at the semi-final and grand finale competition;
- Each learner participating in the national competition must submit an indemnity form signed by their parents/legal guardians and headmaster(s). The form will be provided by the Bank of Namibia.

COMPETITION RULES

- Mobile phones and other electronic devices are not allowed in the competition venue.
- No learner will be allowed to leave the venue whilst the assessment is in progress.
- Only BoN officials and regional liaison persons will serve as judges.
- The Bank of Namibia may disqualify a team if it breaks any of the rules.
- The judges' decision is final.
- It is an oral competition, and all questions and answers will be posed in English.
- The Bank of Namibia reserves the right to adapt the rules and awards at any time.
- Notification of changes will be made in writing to the relevant parties and placed on the Bank of Namibia website, should it be necessary.





To register, visit www.bon.com.na
 Alternatively, contact your regional liaison person directly for assistance and also to gain access to a wealth of competition resources to help you prepare!



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