

## **Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education (CORE) National Ocean Sciences Bowl (NOSB<sup>®</sup>)**

The Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education (CORE), which represents the leading oceanographic institutions universities and aquaria, manages a national competition for high schools on topics related to the study of the oceans -- the National Ocean Sciences Bowl (NOSB<sup>®</sup>). The NOSB<sup>®</sup> consists of a round-robin/double-elimination format for teams of high school students; teams consist of four students plus one alternate and a coach. The format involves a timed competition of multiple-choice, short-answer, and cooperative thinking (team challenge) questions. Questions are drawn from the scientific and technical disciplines used in studying the oceans (physics, chemistry, geology, atmospheric science, biology, etc.) as well as from topics on the contributions of the oceans to national and international economics, history and culture. For more program information visit [www.coreocean.org](http://www.coreocean.org) or [www.nosb.org](http://www.nosb.org).

### **Buzzer Questions (multiple choice and short answer)**

CORE and NOSB<sup>®</sup> are seeking 10 or more scientists and graduate students to each write 200 multiple choice and short answer questions for the 2007 NOSB<sup>®</sup> competition to be held April 28-30, 2007 in Stony Brook, New York. We need 1800 questions for the coming year.

**Timing:** Writer commitment is needed by July 7, 2006. Each writer must submit 100 questions by August 18, 2006; the remaining 100 questions must be submitted by September 29, 2006.

**Funding:** CORE will pay writers \$4 for each well-written and usable question. A \$400 good faith payment will be sent after August 18, 2006, provided the writers have met their deadline. The final payment for the remaining balance based on usable questions will be sent in December 2006.

**Contact:** For guidelines, sample questions and more information, contact Henry Hope, 202-448-1228, [hhope@coreocean.org](mailto:hhope@coreocean.org).

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### **Team Challenge Questions**

CORE and NOSB<sup>®</sup> are seeking scientists and graduate students to write team challenge questions for the 2007 NOSB<sup>®</sup> competition to be held April 28-30, 2007 in Stony Brook, New York. Team Challenge Questions are comprehensive thought questions that range from 2 minutes to 5 minutes for a team of 4 students to answer. We need 150 questions by September 29, 2006.

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