



## Happy New Year!

January is all about the Environment at LifeSmarts. You'll find many great resources on our website, including [new content vocabulary](#), [weekly quizzes](#), the [Daily Quiz](#), and [Question-of-the-Day Calendars](#). Be sure to check out [all the LifeSmarts environment resources](#)!

## January TeamSmarts Challenge

The monthly 100-question TeamSmarts quiz is on the Environment and is a great way for students to test their knowledge and learn something new. TeamSmarts is a great class, club, small-group or team practice tool. The quiz is available to all team captains. Once logged in, they will find the quiz under their "Competitions" tab. Don't miss out! Winning Varsity, JV, FBLA, FCCLA, 4-H, HOSA, and SkillsUSA teams each receive \$100 cash prizes. The January competition deadline is January 31. [Click here to learn more.](#)

## December TeamSmarts winners

Congratulations to these teams who will receive a \$100 cash prize for their high scores on the December Technology TeamSmarts Challenge:

Varsity: Team 2 - Gardner Edgerton High School - KS  
Junior Varsity: SEEK-3 - Trailridge Middle School - KS  
FCCLA: Macon Tigers 1 - Macon County High School - MO  
FBLA: P&J - Monroe Township High School - NJ  
4-H: Webster County 4-H - KY

## Wild Card Team application reminder

Wild Card Team materials for FBLA, FCCLA, and 4-H are due by January 31. [Click here for detailed information on how to apply.](#) Don't miss the chance for your LifeSmarts team to compete in the National LifeSmarts Championship!

## State Championship deadlines

Many LifeSmarts State Championships have deadlines and closing dates this month. Be sure to [check out the dates for your state here!](#) The majority of states with online-only state championships have a qualifying deadline of January 19, so get started with your team today. Let us know if you have any questions. We are always glad to help.

## 2021 dates to remember

Some states are still listed as TBA as of this writing, so be sure to [check your state page](#) for additional deadlines!

January 1 – **January Environment TeamSmarts Challenge Begins**  
January 8 – **Deadline for Florida online state qualifying quizzes**  
January 15 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for Missouri and North Dakota**  
January 18 – **Deadline for Minnesota online state qualifying quizzes**  
January 19 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming**  
January 22 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for North Carolina**  
January 23 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for Oklahoma and Tennessee**  
January 29 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for Washington**  
January 31 – **Wild Card Bid Deadline 1**  
January 31 – **January TeamSmarts Challenge Deadline**  
February 1 – **February Capstone TeamSmarts Challenge Begins**  
February 1 – **Spring FBLA Challenge Begins**  
February 1 – **Deadline for Georgia online state qualifying quizzes**  
February 2 – **Deadline for Maine online state qualifying quizzes**  
February 7 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for West Virginia and Wisconsin**  
February 12 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for South Carolina and Indiana**  
February 16 – **Deadline for online state qualifying quizzes for Illinois**  
February 20 – **Deadline for Idaho online state qualifying quizzes**  
February 26 – **FBLA Spring Challenge Closes**  
February 28 – **Deadline for Louisiana online state qualifying quizzes**  
February 28 – **February Capstone TeamSmarts Challenge Deadline**  
April 17-20 – **National LifeSmarts Championship for 2020 and 2021 teams**

Have a great month!  
--The LifeSmarts Team

