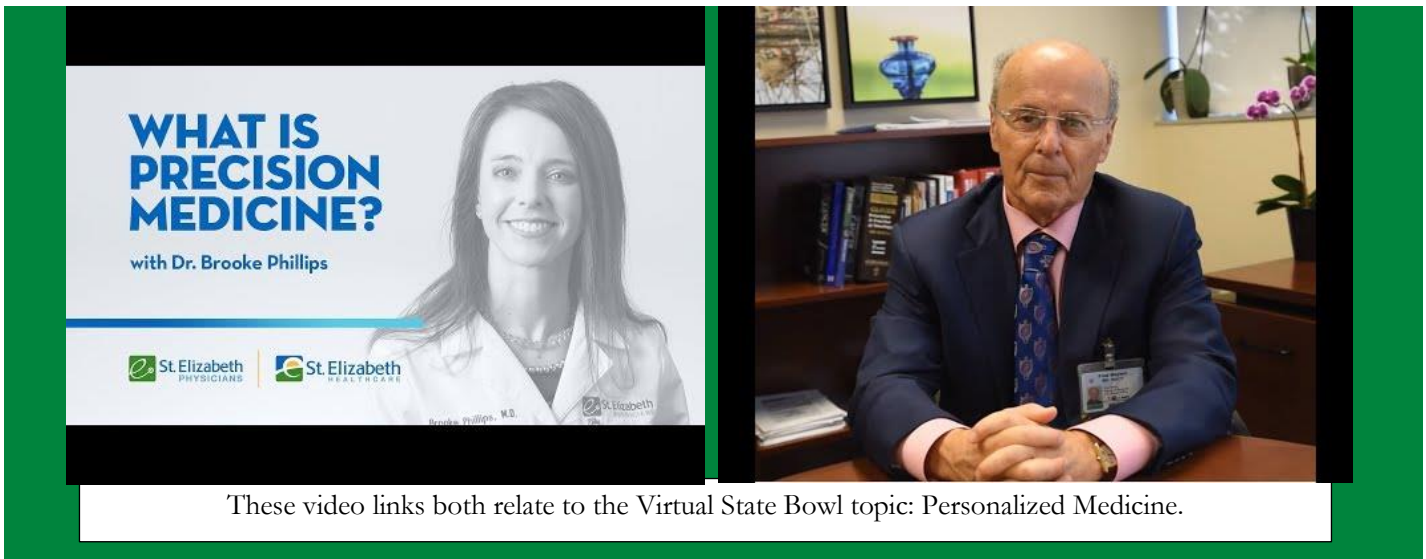


Washington FPS

FROM THE AD'S DESK
MARCH 2021



These video links both relate to the Virtual State Bowl topic: Personalized Medicine.

Hello,

Way to go! You have reached the final stretch and you are now gearing up for the State Bowl. The GIPS future scene will be released to you just before 8 a.m. on Wednesday, March 24. Please ensure that your students are working with the correct level Future Scene, either Junior or Middle/Senior. You will then have until noon on Thursday, March 25 to have your students complete their GIPS booklets and submit them to your Dropbox. Please email Ann Foreyt if you are having any issues with your Dropbox.

Don't forget that the State Bowl registration deadline is **Wednesday, March 10**. Please remind students that how they spell their name during the registration process will be how it is printed on any award certificates. Also, students must know their team or individual assigned number when registering.

If your students want to order State Bowl t-shirts, they need to order them by **Tuesday, March 9**.

If you have students who are scenario performers, please remind them that they need to submit their scenario performance videos and the Scenario Performance Submission Sheet to us by March 23 at 5 p.m.

Congratulations to both our Scenario Writing participants and the Washington State winners. A list of the winning scenario writers can be found on page 3 of this newsletter.

Publication Release instructions: Please inform all your State Bowl participant students that they must submit a Publication Release and Statement of Authenticity as part of the conditions of participation at the State Bowl. Please collect these and then upload them to your Dropbox on or before March 12. They can be found on the wafps.org website.

Newly announced: The International Conference will be entirely virtual this year. The topic is Neurotechnology.

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VIRTUAL STATE BOWL

Student Oath

Coaches, please have the Student Oath for GIPS competitors completed by your State Bowl participants prior to March 24 competition. If the Student Oath is already in your possession from the QP, there is no need for another one. Note that this Student Oath does **not** need to be uploaded with the student booklets. Please keep the Student Oath on file in the event WA FPS requests it. The 2020-2021 Student Oath may be destroyed in the Fall of 2021. The Student Oath fillable document is on the [WAFPS website](#).

Proctoring the GIPS Competition Virtually

The Proctoring Instructions document can be downloaded from the [WAFPS website](#). Coaches, please review the entire Proctoring Instructions document prior to the Virtual State Bowl.

Tips to proctoring virtual rooms: if you are unable to have an adult “listening” in the room to text the coach, then bouncing between rooms to verify that the guidelines are being met by participants might be a way to proctor many rooms at a time.

Please remind students of the permitted items in the solving space prior to the Virtual State Bowl:

Permitted Items in the Solving Space

<div style="background-color: #d9ead3; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid black;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Permitted Items:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">dictionary <i>and/or</i> thesaurus pencils, pens, highlighters & sharpener non-programmable calculator blank paper <i>and/or</i> unopened package of Post-Its water</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Online Materials:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">shared virtual booklet Future Scene video conferencing platform (Zoom, e.g.)</p> </div>	<div style="background-color: #f2dede; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid black;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Restricted Items:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">research & notes non-blank scratch paper extra open browsers/windows/tabs category list help from other people*</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">*note that the proctor CAN assist with any technology-related issues</p> </div>
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Future Scene

The Future Scene for the Virtual State Bowl will be sent to coaches just prior to 8 a.m. on March 24. As some participants may be solving later in the day or the following morning, please respect the integrity of the competition by securing the future scenes both prior to and after the competition. This Future Scene cannot be posted online until 2025. Also, some states may not be solving until mid-April.

Submitting Booklets

State Bowl Booklets will be due in the coach’s Dropbox by noon on March 25. If you encounter any technical difficulties in uploading the booklets, please contact our Evaluation Director Ann Foreyt.

STATE BOWL T-SHIRTS 2021

This year's Virtual State Bowl 2021 t-shirt will be available to order through your coach or directly from Custom Ink. If the t-shirts are sent directly to your coach or to you, there will be an added shipping cost this year.

To support this WAFPS fundraiser, click [here](#) to purchase the 2021 Virtual State Bowl T-shirt. T-shirt orders will close on March 9.

2021 SCENARIO WRITING RESULTS

Congratulations to this year's Washington State Scenario Writing winners!

Each scenario was evaluated by two independent evaluators. The finalists were evaluated again using paired comparison analysis by a panel of evaluators.

First, second, and third place winners in each division will be invited to the International Conference.

Junior Division

- 1st **Iilina Rao**, Odle Middle School
- 2nd **Nidhi Karnati**, Redmond Independent
- 3rd **Sana David**, Odle Middle School
- 4th **Haruna Morishita**, Tyee Middle School
- 5th **Siddhi Lakkarsu**, Redmond Independent

Middle Division

- 1st **Nishka Kacheria**, Interlake High School
- 2nd **Prisha Hemani**, Interlake High School
- 3rd **Xiyuan Carol Gong**, Tyee Middle School
- 4th **Seoyoung Yun**, Tyee Middle School
- 5th **Giya Agarwal**, Odle Middle School

Senior Division

- 1st **Jake Donner**, Interlake High School
- 2nd **Emily Chang**, Interlake High School
- 3rd **Jessica Na**, Bellevue Independent

PHOTOS OF STATE BOWL PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

If you have photos of your students actively involved in the FPS process, please email these photos to Kari Beyer (kaldrich@nr.k12.wa.us). We'd like to use these photos in our Award Ceremony and in our newsletters. Photos that are labeled by team or individual number would be greatly appreciated.

SCENARIO PERFORMANCE SUBMISSIONS FOR STATE BOWL

Scenario Performances for **State Bowl qualifiers** are due on March 23 by 5 p.m. to the Evaluation Director. Please remember to give viewing permission when you submit the Scenario Performance.

Please submit the ScP Submission Sheet (found on the [WAFPS website](#)) at the same time that you submit your Scenario Performance link.

Checklist:

1. Are you sure that your work shows a recognizable relationship to one of the topics for this current FPS year?
2. Is your work within the allowed time limit (up to 5 minutes)?
3. Have you presented your work in the correct format? (Performance must be in one continuous take.)
4. Did you label the video file as directed by the Evaluation Director or provide the YouTube link (marked **unlisted**)? If a YouTube video is submitted as either Private or Public, the evaluator will not be able to access it.

Important Dates

March 9: Virtual State Bowl 2021 T-shirt orders close today

March 10: State Bowl Registration Due

March 12: State form deadline into the Dropbox: 1. [Publication Release/Statement of Authenticity and Rules and Regulations](#)

March 23: Scenario Performance due by 5 p.m. for State Bowl

March 24-25: State Bowl, Topic: Personalized Medicine

March 31: Awards Ceremony for WAFPS State Bowl 2021, 7 p.m.

April 16: Advancing CmPS Cover Sheet, Publication Release, and Project due

June 9-13: 2021 Virtual International Conference, Topic: Neurotechnology

VOTE FOR AN IC TOPIC

Want to have your voice heard? Vote for future 2022-2023 topics at this [FPSPI link](#). The link will remain open until March 31.



FINAL WORDS FROM THE AD'S DESK

Just announced from the International Office—the 2021 International Conference topic is Neurotechnology

As the International Conference will now be held virtually, the cost for IC will again be considerably cheaper this year than in past years as there will be no travel or lodging costs. We look forward to the 2022 International Conference which is scheduled to be held in person at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Please call/text (509) 386-6297 or email me (jbuissinkwafps@gmail.com) any time you have questions.

Next Up in April: 2021 State Bowl Finalists.

“Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.”

—Henry David Thoreau