

At-Large Qualifications

At-Large Qualifier* (Requires a \$25 non-refundable application fee) — To be considered under the At-Large system, a student must earn three “legs” which can be earned at NIETOC Bid or non-Bid tournaments that accumulate to a total ranking of 10 or less. To illustrate:

Tournament: Joe Smith’s DI ranks:	Sarah Jones’ HI ranks:
Tournament A 4th place	4th place
Tournament B 6th place	3rd place
Tournament C 4th place	1st place
Tournament D 3rd place	2nd place
Tournament E 8th place	12th place

In this scenario, Joe’s best 3 tournaments result in a total of 11, while Sarah’s best 3 results in a total of 6. Thus, Sarah would qualify for consideration as an at-large entry to the NIETOC but Joe would not.

*Students meeting the above qualification criteria must complete the NIETOC online registration via SpeechWire and upload documentation via Dropbox. Competitors will be placed on a waiting list until all supporting information can be confirmed.

If I attain at-large status, do I automatically qualify to compete??

No. At-Large applications are put on a waiting list in lieu of students who qualify through the automatic and bid systems. We are going to do our best to get everyone who wants attend the NIETOC a spot in the tournament. However, we must stay within the parameters of the host school room constraints.

“Applicants for acceptance are reminded that completion of registration requirements does not guarantee acceptance to the NIETOC.” We do our best to notify the at-large candidates of acceptance by April 1st.