



ACT-SO CONTESTANT STATEMENT OF INTEGRITY

Great care must be taken to assure that the highest ethical standards are maintained by those engaging in research and report writing. To reinforce the importance of these standards, all written entries for the NAACP ACT-SO Competition must submit this statement as part of the entry. The statement must be signed by the ACT-SO contestant, parent/guardian, and the ACT-SO Chairperson. One statement must be submitted for each written contestant entry.

We understand the following requirements are set forth by NAACP ACT-SO for all competition entries containing a written component. These requirements are additional to the general guidelines and requirements published by ACT-SO. By signing this statement, I certify that all are true and accurate as they relate to this entry.

1. The contents of this entry are the results of my solo work and not that of any group project.
2. I have never received an ACT-SO National Medal for any part of the written work submitted.
3. Credit for all secondary research has been given to the original author through the project's bibliography, footnotes or endnotes where applicable.
4. None of my work has been plagiarized from any source.
5. All activities or original research procedures described in this entry are accurate depictions of my efforts.
6. I understand that ACT-SO has the right to publish all or part of this entry. Should ACT-SO decide to publish the entire entry, I will receive a communication from ACT-SO informing me of my selection and procedures for participation.

This statement of integrity must be signed by the contestant, parent/guardian, and the ACT-SO Chairperson, and submitted with the entry, or the entry will be given 10 penalty points. If it is found that any of the statements are untrue, the submitted work will be disqualified from competition.

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Contestant's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature

ACT-SO Chairperson's Signature