



AstroChallenge 2021

Schedule of Events for AstroChallenge

Day 0: 29 May 2021 – Online

Administrative guides and recordings will be uploaded on the AstroChallenge website. An email will be sent out to schools to notify participants and schools of the release of materials on Day 0. There will be no online livestreaming.

Day 1: 7 June 2021 – Online

0900 – 0930	Opening Address/Briefing
0930 – 1000	Attendance Checks
1000 – 1200	Individual Round
1200 – 1330	Lunch
1330 – 1400	Briefing and Buffer for DRQ
1400 – 1600	Team Round
1600 – 1630	Briefing for Observation Round (Senior Category)*
1630 – 1930	Observation Round – Theory Component (Senior Category)
1930 – 2030	Dinner
2030 – 2130	Observation Round – Practical Component (Senior Category)

* The day will end at 1600 for Students taking part in Junior Category

Day 2: 12 June 2021 – Online

0900 – 0915	Registration/Attendance Checks (Junior Category)
0915 – 1145	Finals 1 (Junior Category)
1145 – 1200	Juniors Prize Presentation
1200 – 1400	Lunch (including Post-Mortem starting from 1300)
1400 – 1415	Registration/Attendance Checks (Senior Category)
1415 – 1645	Finals 2 (Senior Category)
1645 – 1700	Seniors Prize Presentation

NB: Day 2 is by invite only. The Organizers will attempt to setup a livestream of the Finals



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Rules and Regulations

Observation Round (additional details)

- The Observation Round (Theory and Practical) will be administered through Zoom. AC Committee members will be paired with each school to administer the test online at the same time.
- Questions will be displayed by the AC personnel.
- Participants may be required to scan (by printer or by smartphone) their answers and submit, or annotate on Zoom.
- For the Practical Component, you will be given remote control of the Assessor's Stellarium. The Assessor will set Stellarium to the necessary settings and starting location before granting you control. The time will begin once control has been handed over and you are to make full use of it to find what you need.
- For the avoidance of doubt, reference materials are **not allowed for the Theory Component** but they are **allowed for the Practical Component**.
- Further instructions will be given during the competition.

Revised Weightage for Observation Round

Theory: 50% (previously: 40%)

Practical: 50% (previously: 60%)

Weightage within the Practical Round

Night Sky Tour: 60%

Main Paper: 40%