ONE CANOE   MANY PADDLES
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ASCE NATIONAL CONCRETE CANOE COMPETITION

GIVE
• Passion • Teamwork • Camaraderie
• Professionalism • Civility • Respect

GAIN
• Spirited Competition • Hands-On Skills
• Leadership Skills • Technical Knowledge
• Support from Professionals Across the Industry
• Ability to Educate Others About Civil Engineering
Since the early 1970s, ASCE student chapters have been constructing and racing concrete canoes. During that time, canoe mixes and designs have varied, but the long-established tradition of teamwork, camaraderie, and spirited competition has been constant. Teams, their associates, judges, and all other participants are expected to maintain and build upon this tradition.

**Competition Goals**

+ **Providing Hands-on Skills and Leadership Experience** ▶ Providing civil engineering students an opportunity to gain hands-on, practical experience and leadership skills by working with concrete mix designs and project management.

+ **Increasing Technical Knowledge** ▶ Building awareness of the versatility and durability of concrete as a construction material among civil engineering students, educators and practitioners, as well as the general public.

+ **Creating Awareness of the Versatility of Concrete Construction** ▶ Building awareness of concrete technology and application among civil engineering students, educators and practitioners, as well as the general concrete industry.

+ **Curating Support for Civil Engineering Education Among Professionals Across the Industry** ▶ Generating and increasing awareness of ASCE’s and national sponsors’ commitment to civil engineering education among civil engineering students, educators and practitioners, and well as the general public.

+ **Educating Others About the Importance of Civil Engineering** ▶ Increasing awareness among industry leaders, opinion makers and the general public of civil engineering as a dynamic and innovative profession essential to society.

+ **Spreading Enjoyment of One of ASCE’s Signature Experiences** ▶ Increasing awareness of the value and benefits of ASCE membership among civil engineering students and faculty in order to foster lifelong membership and participation in the Society.

While the intent of the competition is to learn and build experience both technically and socially, students are a short step from being practicing engineers involved in projects that are critical to society’s welfare. Ethics, professionalism, civility and respect are the cornerstone of every successful competition, and ASCE expects professional conduct from all participants. To preserve the quality of this competition and to improve the quality of future competitions, ASCE enforces high standards under the Section 1.9, “Spirit of the Competition.”

**Section 1.9**

Under the “Spirit of the Competition,” the judges and/or the CNCCC may take disciplinary action, including warnings, point deductions, or disqualification of a team or entry for inappropriate use of materials, language, alcohol, uncooperativeness, or general unprofessional behavior or unethical behavior of team members or persons associated with a team. The judges and/or the CNCCC have the final authority to determine what constitutes a violation of the “Spirit of the Competition” and may take appropriate action towards point deduction or disqualification.

**Good luck, have fun, and be safe!**