

As part of Canadian Mathematical Society’s Inclusion Initiative, the Society will invite 400 Black and Indigenous students to participate in the [Canadian Open Mathematics Competition \(COMC\)](#) and [Canadian Mathematical Gray Jay Competition](#) at no cost. This is an opportunity for students to engage with mathematics and STEM activities and have their mathematical talent recognized.

We invite all math teachers, school principals, and any other willing proctors to nominate students identifying as Black or Indigenous to take part in this competition.

Eligibility

- Students who identify as Black or Indigenous;
- Students must be Canadian citizens or Permanent Residents;
- Students must fulfill the [COMC eligibility criteria](#) or the [Gray Jay eligibility criteria](#).

Prizes and Awards

In Addition to [various COMC prizes](#), students who take part in the Closing the Gap Initiative are automatically entered in a random draw to win one of 4 \$500 prizes for their school to be spent on math and STEM resources.

Free Webinars

In 2020, the CMS organised a series of free preparatory webinars for Black and Indigenous students taking part in the Canadian Open Mathematics Competition. Students and teachers can find these webinars and other information about this initiative on [CMS’ Closing the Gap page](#).

You can register your students at any time, even before the competition registrations open, [here](#).

If you have any questions about the program please contact the CMS Competition team: contests@cms.math.ca

