

The MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION of AMERICA

AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS



Presented by The Akamai Foundation



I. INVITATION AND PARTICIPATION -

A CORDIAL INVITATION is extended to your school to participate in the Seventeenth Annual AMC 8 to be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2001. A record number of 249,260 students (in grades 8 and below) from 3,523 schools participated in 2000. We truly hope that you will participate in this year's contests.

The Participation of The Akamai Foundation -

In early February 2001, just as the AMC 10 and AMC 12 were being given and the AIME 2001 was going to press, the Akamai Foundation of Boston made a large charitable gift to the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) on behalf of the American Mathematics Competitions. This large charitable gift will allow the MAA American Mathematics Competitions to fund several important new projects.

The Akamai Foundation was established by Akamai Technologies, Inc. and initially has been funded by Akamai executives and its employees. Akamai Technologies helps companies by optimizing Web site performance, delivering broadcast-quality streaming media, and providing interactive application services. The Foundation chose to focus on mathematics because Akamai was conceived and founded on mathematical innovation.

The Akamai Foundation is dedicated to excellence in mathematics in the hopes that they can encourage America's next generation of technology innovators. Their mission is to reach out to students in grades K-12 with the message that mathematics is important, demonstrating to them that it can be magical and fun and in the process, helping them to realize that math can lead to some very exciting career opportunities.



The National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) has placed the AMC 8 on the NASSP National Advisory List of Contests and Activities for 2001-02.