

Hello Coaches! We hope your teams' preparations are going well! Below are a few notes and reminders as the regional tournament approaches.

## Tournament Preparation Webinar - February 4 (10AM – 11:30AM)

All coaches and coordinators are invited to join us on Saturday for a webinar discussing what to expect on tournament day, as well as some advice for getting ready.

#### Webinar details:

**URL to view the web presentation:** https://join.freeconferencecall.com/randy\_burton1

**Dial in number:** 712-770-4074 (\*\*\* There is no 800 dial-in number, so long distance charges may

apply if you don't use a cell phone.)

Access code: 115685

Online meeting ID: randy burton1

(For 24/7 customer service please call 844-844-1322)

## Logging in to the Members Area of the OotM Website

There are many documents and a lot of information that your team will need for the tournament in the Members Area of <u>odysseyofthemind.com</u>, such as forms, the Program Guide, extra copies of the long-term problems, information about your team's nominated judge, and a link to submit clarification requests. All you need to log in is your school/organization member number and the zip code used when purchasing your membership. If you have any trouble logging in or any questions, please let us know!

# Public Clarifications

Don't forget to check the OotM site regularly for public clarifications regarding Div I, II, and III long-term problems. You can find this information under "Quick Links" without logging in at <a href="http://www.odysseyofthemind.com/p/clarifications/">http://www.odysseyofthemind.com/p/clarifications/</a>. Clarifications are not provided for the Primary problem.

#### · Clarification Deadline - February 15

Don't forget that the last day for teams to submit clarifications is February 15! Information shared in requests is kept private and responses are shared only with the submitting teams, so don't hesitate to include all the facts necessary to answers your team's question(s).

### Register Volunteers ASAP

If your team has not already nominated a volunteer, please do this as soon as possible! Volunteer nomination is performed by coaches/coordinators via the Member Area of the OotM website. Once your volunteer is nominated, he/she must then register (through SignUpGenius) at this link. We request that all volunteers be registered by February 12.

#### Team Forms

This is a great time for your team to start working on their forms for the regional tournament, if they

have not already. The Tournament Forms Information handout is a great resource to help your team understand what is required for each form. You might have received this handout at Coaches' Training last Fall.

## NCOM Scholarships

North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind (NCOM) offers two college scholarships (\$1000 each) to current and past participants in Odyssey of the Mind. Click here to learn more about the scholarships and the application process. Deadline for submission is February 28. The scholarship winners will be notified by March 25 and will be formally recognized at the State Tournament on April 1.

Good luck! And please don't hesitate to let us know if you have any questions!

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