

North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind Eastern Region

<http://ncom-e.wayfarer.org>

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From the desk of the Regional Director

The leaves are changing color, there is a nip in the air, and Odyssey of the Mind teams are forming everywhere!

Welcome to all those who have participated before and a big warm hello to those who are new to Odyssey of the Mind. We are all looking forward to an exciting, challenging, and fun season.

Patti Adams

Coaches Training November 4, 2000

Many thanks to Sarah Price, and Olive Chapel Elementary School in Apex, our hosts for Coaches Training this year. Training begins at 8:30 AM with a continental breakfast and continues during the day including lunch. The day will be structured similar to a high school day with many concurrent offerings in order to provide an opportunity for coaches to choose what is most applicable to their situation. The registration fee for training is \$10 if registered before Nov. 1st. The registration fee at the door will be \$12. Registration forms, schedules, and class descriptions can be found on the Eastern Website <http://ncom-e.wayfarer.org>.

Eastern Region Board Meetings

The Eastern Region Board, a group of dedicated volunteers, meets monthly to plan activities and services for the region. Meetings are open to all and your input is desired to assure that the needs of our region's members are being served. The next meeting will be November 30, 2000 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM at Nortel Networks, RTP. Please contact Amber Hurst 905-3900, ahurst@nortelnetworks.com; or Patti Adams 933-5595, wp_adams@mindspring.com. to have your name added to the security check-in list if you are able to attend. The website contains a list of all meeting dates.

Eastern Region Website

Special thanks to Andy Cordes, our webmaster, for his ongoing work keeping the website up-to-date. The website is easy to use and contains plenty of useful information for coaches, and even an interactive spontaneous site for students.

Special thanks to Tanner Lovelace. Tanner owns and maintains the computer server we use and provides space for the website as a donation to support the region.

Dates and Deadlines

National Registration: Currently underway

Website: www.odysseyofthemind.com

Coaches Training November 4, 2000 Olive Chapel Elementary School, Apex.

Regional Registration: December 15, 2000

Forms to be available at coaches training

And on the website after Nov 4th.

Judges Training: February 10, 2001 Olive Chapel Elementary School, Apex

Snow Date: February 17, 2001

Regional Tournament: March 24, 2001

McDougle Elementary and Middle Schools

State Tournament: April 2001 TBA

Piedmont Region will host.

World Finals: U of Maryland, June 2-5, 2001

Odyssey of the Mind Scholarships

Students attending or planning on attending college, who have been active in North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind, may be interested in applying for the North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind Scholarship. For more information, and to view the application guidelines and the application form, visit the NCOM website at <http://www.ceap.wcu.edu/ncom/ScholarshipInfo/Scholarshipip2001.HTML> Students do not need to be currently involved in Odyssey, they only need to have participated sometime in the past.

Creative Opportunities Unlimited (COU) also awards scholarships to Odyssey of the Mind participants. Information and an application are available in each school's membership packet from national Odyssey of the Mind.

Listserve

A listserve is available on the internet for Odyssey of the Mind participants. This is an e-mail conversation among coaches, judges, team members etc. Plenty of coaching hints are available and fellow participants are very willing to answer questions. Be sure to read the rules of participation because long-term problems are not discussed in this venue.

<http://www.egroups.com/group/odysseyworld>

<http://www.odyssey-world.org/index.html>