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NC Odyssey of the Mind Eastern Region 2023 Tournament Preparation



Good morning! We'll start in a few minutes so you have time to get another cup of coffee.

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Agenda

- 3 weeks before the Region Tournament. *What should we do??*
 - Big picture items
 - Long Term
 - Style
 - Spontaneous
- OM program reminders
- Tournament Day reminders
- Q&A

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Tournaments are just around the corner.....Big picture items

- Wakefield High School - March 4
- Judges Training - conducted on-line and completed by February 18
- Keep working and preparing!! ... And keep reading your LT problem
- Remember the goals of Odyssey of the Mind....
Team Work/Creativity/Persistence
- Check www.ncome.org for Long Term & Spontaneous competition times (*Competition rooms will be posted soon.*)



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- Long Term (200 points):
 - Keep reading the problem
 - Make sure the team's solution maximizes points
 - Rehearse, rehearse, rehearse....
 - Clarifications (<https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/clarifications/>)
 - * Check for public clarifications often
 - * Submit your team clarifications by **February 15**
 - Remember...8 minutes to present your solution
 - * Penalty for exceeding 8 minutes in **P3: Classics...THE WALLS OF TROY** and **P5: THE MOST DRAMATIC PROBLEM!!** (Reference sections B.3 and E.6 of your Long Term problem)
 - Consider creating a repair kit (not included on your Cost Form)
- Style (50 points):
 - Identify your Style items (Reference section F)
 - 2 identified items
 - 2 "Free Choice"
 - 1 overall effect of items 1-4
 - Review Chapter III of the Program Guide



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- Spontaneous (100 points)
 - Keep practicing...
 - * Hands On
 - * Verbal
 - * Combination
 - Review the *Spontaneous Procedures* available at odysseyofthemind.com >
Teams > Member Resources > Competition Info & Forms



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Tournaments are just around the corner... OM program reminders

- Team Forms (Team List / Style / Cost / Outside Assistance)
 - Reference section H
 - Forms are available at odysseyofthemind.com and ncome.org
 - **4 copies** each of Team List and Style; 1 copy each of Cost and Outside Assistance
 - Bring any team specific clarifications you have received
- We need a membership sign? (Program Guide – Chapter V, Rules That Apply To All Problems and Penalty Categories)
- Communicate with parents (tournament schedule/lunch/snacks)
- Props? Where are they?
- Re-read the Program Guide (focus on Chapters III, IV, V, VI)
- Check with your judge rep regarding training on February 18



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Tournament Day...

- Expect organized chaos!
- Manage team and parent expectations
- Long Term competition logistics:
 - P4 teams: Don't forget your weigh-in; arrive 10 minutes ahead of time
 - All teams: Unload props, backdrops, etc. off 30-40 minutes ahead of time
 - Be careful with those treasures!
 - Arrive at check-in 20 minutes before your competition time
 - Parents/family/friends can help transport all the way into the Staging area
 - Check-in/Staging ➡ Competition Area
 - "Judges are you ready? Team are you ready? Team begin!"



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Tournament Day...It's Show Time!!

- Long Term Competition logistics (continued)
 - Team members only communicate with judges after the presentation
 - After the judges finish...move that stuff out
 - Celebrate your team's performance!
 - Scores available in ~ 45 minutes from the Head Judge



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Tournament Day...It's Show Time!!

- Spontaneous Competition logistics
 - Arrive 10 minutes ahead
 - Have warm-up activities available
 - Check-in → Holding Room → Competition
(team+1coach) (team only)
 - "What type of problem did you have??" Nope...
 - Scores available at the end of the tournament



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Tournament Day... Final Word

- Masks are optional, but highly encouraged
- Watch other teams and problems
- Attend the award ceremony in the Wakefield HS gym
- Have fun and celebrate your efforts!
- This year....Top 3 teams in each Problem/Division advance to the March 25 State Tournament



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QUESTIONS?



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