



Hello Odyssey of the Mind Coaches and Coordinators!

Welcome to the NC Odyssey of the Mind Eastern Region to those of you who are new, and welcome back to our returning members! Below is some information which may be helpful to you as you are getting started this season.

COACHES' TRAINING, OCTOBER 28

Our first event this year will be our annual Coaches' Training, which will take place on Saturday, October 28, from approximately 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the main campus of Wake Technical Community College. New and experienced coaches are encouraged to attend! We will have workshops on each of the long-term problems, spontaneous competition, spontaneous problem practice, outside assistance, style, and more, including some new sessions. The cost is \$15 if registered online in advance, or \$20 at the door. Registration will be open at ncome.org soon!

OTHER EVENTS AND RESOURCES

Check out our Eastern Region website, ncome.org, for:

- A complete list of 2017-18 important dates;
- The [NC Odyssey of the Mind Eastern Region Wiki](#); and
- Many other resources for coaches, coordinators, and team members!

The Odyssey of the Mind website, odysseyofthemind.com, has important information and helpful resources as well including, for programs that already have purchased or renewed their 2017-18 memberships, *copies of the full 2017-18 long-term problems!*

TEAMS CAN FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

In addition to email messages approximately every other week this year, you (and your team members!) can get reminders about upcoming events, deadlines and tips and tricks by following the NCOM Eastern Region on Twitter (@NCOMEastern) and Facebook (NC Eastern Region Odyssey of the Mind). Please encourage your team members who have social media accounts to follow us!

GETTING STARTED

If you are starting a new program, definitely take advantage of the wealth of online resources referenced above. In addition, there are many experienced OotM regional board members who would be happy to assist by presenting an OotM Awareness Session for your group or by addressing any specific questions you may have. Contact Tom.Hansen.OotM@gmail.com for more information.

We hope your 2017-18 Odyssey of the Mind season gets off to a great start and we look forward to seeing you at Coaches Training on October 28!