South Metro Destination Imagination Tournament

Welcome to the 2020 South Metro Hills and Plains Destination Imagination Tournament. The following pages contain everything you need to know as Team Manager to have a successful and enjoyable tournament experience on March 7 at Fort Logan Northgate School.

We are guests at Fort Logan Northgate School. A Destination Imagination tournament comes with a lot of commotion and there are a lot of things going on simultaneously in the building. Please refer to the maps of the event so you know where you should and should not be.

- Stay out of areas where there are no scheduled performances or tournament related activities taking place.
- Do not touch non-tournament related items in classrooms, hallways or gyms.
- Please keep younger team members and siblings under close supervision.
- Pick up your trash and take it with you.
- Don't leave messes in the restrooms!
- No food or drink except in the cafeteria. Water only at the performance sites.

Plan, Communicate and Relax! Let the team take care of winning their challenge. The whole point of DI is to let kids do it themselves. You are only responsible for the things that you can control so make sure you read this entire document. Make a plan with your team, communicate with your parents and then let everyone do their part.

Check out the maps; then distribute them to parents and supporters. Notice that the main level and the 2nd Floor look almost identical. The stairs to the 2nd floor are to right as you enter from the main entrance. The stairs to the lower level are directly ahead as you enter from the main entrance. Teams can unload from Mansfield Ave to the north of the building.

Elevators The school elevator is intended for persons with disabilities and is accessed with a key at all times. The elevator is <u>not</u> for hauling scenery and props. Team Members and supporters should let us know if advance if they think they will have a disabled person who will need the elevator so we can meet you there with the key.

Parking There is limited parking on the north side so please have parents park in the school lot at the front or in the Sheridan High School lot east of the building. There is walking path between Fort Logan Northgate and Sheridan High School. DO NOT park in fire lanes or No Parking zones. Remember, the Sheridan Police Department is only 3 blocks away and they will likely be patrolling our event.

Team Check-In All teams should check-in at your performance site 20 minutes prior to your scheduled performance. Teams and Team Managers only in the Prep Area. In the Cards teams should report to Weigh-in with their structures one hour before performance time. Teams should check into Instant Challenge 15 minutes prior to scheduled time. Rising Stars will do Instant Challenge immediately following their performance in a room adjacent to their performance.

Team Paperwork

• *Declaration of Independence* Competitive teams need to provide one signed copy of the Declaration of Independence to the Prep Appaiser at the performance site and one signed copy of the Declaration of Independence at Instant Challenge. Form can be found on page 45 Rules of the Road. Information on The Declaration of Independence can be found on page 16 of the Rules of the Road. All team members, Team Managers and parents should be familiar with the rules of Interference. Rising Stars Teams do not need to provide a Declaration of Independence.

- *Expense Report* Competitive teams must provide a completed Expense Report to the Prep Appraiser at the performance site. The Form can found on page 44 of the Rules of the Road. Information on budget and expense report can be found on page 18 of the Rules of the Road. Rising Stars are not required to provide an Expense Report.
- *Tournament Data Form* Competitive teams must submit 6 completed copies of the Tournament Data form found at the end of their challenge. This is form is used to tell the Appraisers where to look for your scored solutions. Be as detailed and concise as possible in the space provided.
 - o *Team Choice Elements* Do not include any element that is already being scored in the Team Challenge.
- *Team Clarifications* If your team submitted a team specific clarification to the International Challenge Masters, be sure to include a copy of your reply.

Presentation Procedures

- In the Prep Area, teams go over safety procedures as well as all the scored elements they will be presenting to the Appraisers. The Prep Appraiser will point out any issues the team may encounter and give the team members a chance to fix those issues. Remember that all Appraisers are subject to the same rules of Interference as Team Managers and parents so they cannot tell the team how to fix issues, only that there is an issue that may cost the team points. Once the Prep Appraiser has gone over the point on his/her checklist, the team will move to the Launch Area.
- Team Managers may help the team move from the Prep Area to the Launch Area but may not help the team set up props for presentation. The Team Manager(s) will then be shown to their seats. In the Launch Area, the Time Keeper/Announcer (TKA) will show the team any special features of the performance area and electrical access if the challenge allows it. The TKA will also point to where the Appraisers will be watching the performance. The TKA will answer any team questions and help make the team at ease. Once the Appraisers are seated and ready to go, the TKA will introduce the team and appraisers and tell the team to begin.
- After the performance, the team will take a bow and then the Appraisers will move up into the performance area and talk to the team members. The Team Managers should remain seated during this short period.
- Once the Appraisers are finished talking with the team, Team Managers and parents may help clear the performance area of props and scenery. They may also help clean up any spills or debris the team has caused during their performance. Each team is responsible for leaving the performance area clean and ready for the next team.
- Approximately 20 minutes after the end of the performance, the team may return to pick up their scores. Teams may expect to pick up their sticky notes and copies of the tournament data form. Teams will not be receiving a paper copy of their scores, however, they will be receiving an electronic copy, emailed to the Team Managers. Team Managers should bring their phones so they can review the scores when they are finished talking with the Appraisers.

Think like an Appraiser! Teams receive two different kinds of scores: Objective and Subjective. With objective scores, either the required element was completed or it didn't (0-10 Points). Subjective scores are the opinion of the individual appraisers and they can be difficult to predict. As a general rule, inexperienced Appraisers score higher than experienced Appraisers and DI Alums. Score is the only way that Appraisers can give feedback so we ask them to be as honest as possible. There are no cute points and no pity points. Regardless of their score, the Appraisers will listen and treat your team like they are #1 for the time that they are together.

Instant Challenge Procedures Instant Challenge is for team members and one Team Manager only. Parents and supporters should wait for the team in the cafeteria. Teams should report to IC 15 minutes prior to their scheduled time. The team may elect to go into the IC room by itself but if the TM accompanies the team, he/she must not Interfere with the challenge solution in any way. Appraisers will not give scores or any other feedback. The teams will be routed from IC to the cafeteria through a separate exit. Parents and supporters will not be allowed to loiter outside the Instant Challenge area.

Who Are Tournament Officials? We have many different kinds of tournament officials and all of them do have the power to affect your team's score. Regional Challenge Masters and Appraisers have direct impact on your scores. Regional Directors, the Affiliate Director and DI Colorado Board members are on the watch for interference or unsportsmanlike conduct. Teams and parents should also understand that custodians, the Fort Logan Northgate staff and the Sheridan police are also considered tournament officials and can affect the score if we have situations of destruction of property. Parents and supporters are expected to exhibit the same kind of behavior that we expect from the team members. The main thing to remember is that Tournament Officials are there to keep the tournament safe, fair and fun.

DI Store We depend on teams and parents support of our store in order to finance our tournament and to provide some assistance for South Metro GF teams. Along with our shirt and pins sales our store will have snacks, candy, drinks during the day. In the evening, we will be selling light ups for the Dance Party.

Food Trucks For a little heartier food fair, we will be having Pizza truck starting 11:30 and Ice Cream truck at from 1pm – 4pm. Look for them outside across from the cafeteria.

Dance Party and Awards Ceremony This year's Dance Party will begin at 4pm in the gym. The Awards Ceremony will begin at 5pm or when the scores are final. Rising Stars will meet in the hall outside the gym at 4:45 to line up for the Rising Stars parade. Rising Stars teams will receive medals and then will have the opportunity to leave before the awards are given out. If teams choose to stay for awards, all teams should stay until all the challenge awards have been given. Scores will be posted after the ceremony but no paper scores will be returned the teams.