**Regional Tournament Guide**

**Nebraska DI - 24 years of the Destination Imagination Program and**

 **40 years of Creative Problem Solving!**

**Regional Tournaments**

**Lewis & Clark and Twin Rivers – February 25th, 2023**

Davis Middle School

8050 N 129th Ave

Omaha, NE 68142

**Sandhills – March 4th, 2023**

Dix Elementary School

304 Horrum St.

Dix, NE 69133

**Team Managers: Please read through this in its entirety. There are new items that pertain to all.**

*Due to the number of Destination Imagination teams in Nebraska this competition year, ALL teams will advance to Affiliate Finals at UNK on April 1, 2023. We are excited to host Regional and Affiliate Finals this year and look forward to an amazing time for our creative students!!*

**Before the Tournament**

Step 1 – Review the Schedule

Please review the schedule and check for the following:

 --that your team name and number are as you registered

 --that your challenge placement and level is correct

 --that there is no conflict with your Team Challenge and Instant Challenge times.

Notify the Tournament Director IMMEDIATELY should you notice an irregularity on the schedule. Any team that does not arrive at the competition site before its scheduled time may not get a chance to compete in the event. The Challenge Master at each competition site will determine if a late-arriving team has time to complete the event.

Step 2 – Know these Procedures

 **TEAM** CHALLENGE: Each team should report to the competition site ready to perform **20 minutes** prior to its scheduled performance time. **Engineering: Thrill Ride** teams should report to their site approximately 1 hour prior to your team’s Presentation time.

 **INSTANT CHALLENGE:** Each team should report to the competition site ready to perform **15 minutes** prior to the team's scheduled competition times.

Step 3 – Information for all Teams

**Regional Tournament Schedule: All Regional Competition Schedules will be posted 2 weeks prior to the tournament. Both on Feb 11, 2023.**

**Teams should be sportsmanlike in their demeanor throughout the tournament.** Penalties can and will be given for language and behavior that is rude, discourteous, or not in the spirit of competition. **Team Managers and parents are responsible for their team the entire day, including any activities planned as time fillers between their competition and the Awards ceremony.**

**RED TIES:**  If you are an alumnus of DI, and are either a Team Manager or Appraiser, please wear your Red Tie. If you have not been given one by NEDI at a prior Tournament, please identify yourself as such at Registration.  You will be given a red tie to wear with pride.   We would love to recognize you!

**At the Regional Tournament Site**

Step 1 - Registration

The Team Manager of Record must check in at the Registration Table and let the Tournament Officials know the team has arrived. Team Managers will be given a special lanyard to wear. Please bring this to Affiliate Finals as your form of identification. If you are an alum, please wear your red tie as well!

Step 2 – Competition Details

Confirm your team’s competition times at the registration desk. Should there be any additional tournament information, you will receive it then.

Step 3 – Appraiser

Each team must also provide a **trained** Appraiser as per Team Rule requirements to help with the tournament. Each team must have its OWN Appraiser. One Appraiser cannot be used for more than one team. If your trained Appraiser does not report, your team may be assessed a 50 point score deduction.

Step 4 – Acclimate your team

Find the following: performance site, unloading zone, restrooms, cafeteria, souvenir stand, basket raffle table, and a good place to make a team camp. **There is NO admission charge. Parents, grandparents, siblings, friends, and anyone else are invited to come and enjoy a day of fun and creativity.**

Step 5 – Visit the Souvenir Stand

**Pins:** This year challenge pins will be available along with the state pin as a complete set. The theme for Nebraska in Destination Imagination revolves around ***Tied to Creativity!*** *Wear these with pride!*

**Items:** The state board will offer other exciting souvenir items and fun collectables. Again, selection and number are limited, so shop early. There will also be a selection of vintage DI Global Finals Collector Pins and Tshirts, including foreign pins and Shirts. All major credit cards and VENMO are accepted.

**Awards**

First, second and third place winners will be awarded in each challenge and level. In addition, three additional awards COULD be given. They are:

1. **DaVinci Award:** Given to reward a unique approach to a solution, risk taking, or outstanding creativity (not skill or talent). For this award solutions need not be successful to be received.

**2. Spirit of Discovery and Imagination Award (Spirit of DI Award):** Given to recognize those who act as a superior role model in the area of spirit, sportsmanship, and volunteerism.

1. **Renaissance Award:** Given for outstanding design, engineering, execution or performance.

**All Teams will Advance to Affiliate Finals**

**Saturday, April 1st, 2023 at UNK in Kearney, NE**

The Affiliate Finals Guide will be available on March 11, 2023 shortly after all Regional Tournaments..

**Each team advancing to the Affiliate Finals MUST be represented in Kearney by an Appraiser trained during this competition season. The Appraiser must have appraised at their Regional Competition.**

**Affiliate Finals Schedule:** The Affiliate Finals Schedule will be **posted on March 11th.**

Please review carefully for any issues!

**LEWIS & CLARK
& TWIN RIVERS INSTRUCTIONS**

**Lewis & Clark/Twin Rivers Competition Date: February 25th, 2023.** There is NO snow date.

If the weather is bad, check our Facebook page.

**Competition Site:**

Davis Middle School

8050 N 129th Ave

Omaha, NE 68142

**Directions**

**Appraisers** will check in at the Registration table. Follow signs inside the main entrance. Challenges begin at varied times, so watch for updates.

**Maps** will be emailed to all Team Managers and Appraisers with the schedule on February 11, 2023

**Team registration** will begin at 7:00 a.m. **All teams must be checked in by 10:30 a.m.**

**Team Registration**will be located in the lobby of the main entrance.

**Teams** are to report to their competition sites 20 minutes prior to their scheduled time.

**Engineering: Thrill Ride** teams should report to their site approximately 1 hour prior to your team's Presentation time.

The **Awards Ceremony** will be held around 4:00 p.m.in the Main Gym

**Emergency** phone number for the day:  402-490-0319~ Steffenie

**Concessions** will be available for the day provided by Davis Drama Club in the cafeteria

**Souvenirs** will be available in the lobby by registration.

**Team managers and Parents must supervise their teams all day. Teams are responsible for policing all areas in which the team and the parents are.**

**SANDHILLS INSTRUCTIONS**

**Sandhills Competition Date: Saturday, March 4th 2023. Snow adjustment is late start.**

**Competition site: All times are Mountain Time. PLEASE note the time change.**

Dix Elementary

304 Horrum St

Dix, Nebraska 69133

**Directions**

**Appraisers** will check in at the REGISTRATION TABLE BETWEEN 8:45 and 9 am. There will be final Appraiser Instructions and Training given for Challenges start at varied times. All Appraisers must be at their challenge site by 9 am

**Team registration** will begin at 9:00 AM MST, **All teams must be checked in by 11 AM MST**

**Team Registration**will be located in the lobby Main Entrance, North side

**Teams** are to report to their competition sites 20 minutes prior to their scheduled time, including Instant Challenge

**Engineering: Thrill Ride** teams should report to their site approximately 1 hour prior to your team’s Presentation time.

There will be a room available for Prop Storage, if needed. **All Teams are responsible** to remove ALL of their props and supplies from the School Building after completion of their challenge.

The **Awards Ceremony** will be held around 3:30 p.m. MST

**Emergency** phone number for the day: **Sabine, Site Director: 308-249-3803; Donna, Regional Director: 308-991-0269**

**Concessions** will be available for the day provided by Potter Dix DI

**Souvenirs** will be available in the lobby by the Main Entrance

**Basket Raffles (next to Souvenirs)**will be available, teams and/or any supporters are encouraged to bring a Basket.

**Team managers and Parents must supervise their teams all day. Teams are responsible for policing all areas in which the team and the parents are.**

**This is a smaller Tournament so we encourage Teams to watch other Team performances throughout the day!**

Quick Check List

**Please bring the following:**

 \_\_\_\_\_\_ All team members

 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Your signed Declaration of Independence to be stamped at Registration

 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Your enthusiasm

 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Something that gets your team pumped for competition

 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Something for your team to do while they have ‘down time’

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Your patience!

2023-2024 Pin and T-shirt Design Contest

Send your designs to Donna Robinson, at nediengineering@gmail.com

 or

bring them to Affiliate Finals.

The entry deadline is July 1st, 2023