

Coach Email #5

This will be the last email I send to all of you before the Tournament. We wish all of your teams the best as you finalize preparations and travel to Middleville.

A few last reminders:

WEATHER - The forecast calls for partly cloudy and windy with a 20% chance of rain showers. High 71F. Winds SSW at 25 to 35 mph. Come prepared for the weather and protect your set pieces as the weather is fickle and can change.

JUDGES/VOLUNTEERS - I've traded email with several of you, and will remind you that the Volunteer Schedule is posted on the State Finals page on the Michigan website at www.miodyssey.com. Remember it's your job as a Coach to make sure your judge is there all day and your volunteer works their entire shift. Penalties may result if either of these does not happen.

PARKING - One last reminder that the lots will be crowded. PLEASE CARPOOL as much as possible. Thank you. A quick reminder - Some lots will be designated as Officials ONLY. You may not park there. **ABSOLUTELY NO PARKING CURBSIDE ON THE LOOPS AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL.**

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION LETTER - This is posted on the Michigan website at www.MIOdyssey.com. Take one more look at it so you're aware of all the information you need for Saturday.

SPECTATORS - One last reminder to PLEASE make sure your spectators know your school name and problem/division. It's heartbreaking when a grandparent asks for directions at the Information Desk and they don't know this information as we often can't help them locate their team.

TRADING & AWARDS CEREMONY - Trading & Awards will both be in the High School Large Gym. Trading is scheduled to start at 2:30 pm, the Awards Ceremony is scheduled to start at 3:15 pm. Please remember, these times are both approximate.

DO NOT CROWD THE HALLWAY OUTSIDE THE LARGE GYM. PLEASE WAIT IN THE COMMON AREAS, CHECK OUT THE SALES, ALUMNI AND HISTORIAN AREAS OR GRAB A LAST MINUTE SNACK IN THE CAFETERIA

PAPERWORK CHECK UP - Once you pick up your packet at registration go to our Paperwork Check Up table next to the registration. One of our Michigan Odyssey of the Mind Board Members will help you make sure you have everything ready for competition. We will have extra forms there in case you have forgotten anything.

WORLD FINALS ADVANCING TEAMS - Just a quick reminder for teams that will advance to World Finals. Immediately following the Awards Ceremony there will be a World Finals informational meeting in the small gym opposite Awards. This is a mandatory meeting for the coach of all advancing teams.

Have fun and celebrate all you've done this year! That's the most important part of Odyssey.

Safe travels and see you at Thornapple Kellogg tomorrow!

Karen