

PA State Finals Tournament Information

Please refer to the state web site (www.paodyssey.com) for updates and schedules.

TEAMS

Team schedules will be posted on the Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind web site (www.paodyssey.com) approximately one week prior to State Finals.

Team registration opens at 7:00 AM on Saturday morning, in the main lobby of the High School Gym. Signs will be posted outside the school to direct your team to the unloading area for your problem. We will be preparing the competition sites on Friday evening; therefore these areas are off limits to all coaches and teams on Friday evening. Teams are not permitted to drop off props the night before the tournament. **Please see enclosed maps for “unloading/loading” areas for team props.**

Your team is responsible for the security and storage of their props, equipment and other items. Storage areas will be designated near your performance site. Please show respect to our host school, by cleaning up your team’s storage area and removing all items before leaving. Teams leaving trash in their assigned storage area will be assessed a fine of up to \$50.

Teams should report at least 20 minutes before their competition time to the sites for both long-term and spontaneous. Please have all of your paperwork ready for the Staging Area Judge to review. Please refer to Section H. of the problem (“the team must provide”) to assure that you have appropriate copies of all required paperwork.

Coaches or team captains should ask the Staging Area Judge when they should return for their raw long-term scores. A print-out of final scores and rankings may be picked up following the Awards Ceremony (location will be announced at Awards Ceremony). **Each team registration packet will contain a ticket which the coach can exchange for scores after the Awards Ceremony.** Please put the ticket in a safe place, as you will not be able to pick up your scores without it. Please send only one person to pick up the team’s scores. The team’s composite **Style scores** will also be available after the Awards Ceremony at the same location.

Team Photos will be taken again this year by Premier Portraits. Each team will receive one FREE 5x7 team photo. Additional photos may be purchased and picked up on the day of the tournament.

Program books, T-shirts, pins and other merchandise will be on sale in the lobby of the high school. The sale of these items helps support our program.

Breakfast items and lunches will be available in the cafeteria. Please refer to enclosed menu & cafeteria locations. Please make sure your judge receives the enclosed box lunch order form.

JUDGES

All judges must report for pre-tournament meetings at the time and location designated by their Problem Captain. This information will be provided to judges by e-mail approximately one week prior to the tournament. Please ask your judges to be prompt. It is critical that all judges report at their designated time to receive instructions. If your judge does not show up or report at the appropriate time, your team may receive a penalty of up to 25 points.

Judges should fill out & return enclosed box lunch order form.