2013 NCOM STATE TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY April 6, 2013

Tournament officials are doing everything possible to make each team's day an enjoyable experience. Please read all materials. Your knowledge and understanding will insure that everyone has a good experience.

We wish to express sincere and grateful appreciation to East Carolina University who generously donated their impressive campus facilities, services and hospitality to NCOM.

PLEASE be good guests and show your gratitude by keeping the ECU campus clean and by disposing of all trash in proper containers.

Tournament Information and East Carolina University Interactive E-Maps.

All tournament information is posted on the <u>State Tournament Page</u> at <u>www.ncom.org/StateTournament/2013StateTournament.htm</u> including the Competition Schedule, Floor plans, Events Schedule and Locations, Accommodations, and other links. You will find a link to a map ECU created for NCOM which includes 5 interactive E-Maps: 1.) Event Sites, 2.) Dining, 3.) Bus Routes, 4.) Parking. To print out each map go to "Download a pdf. of the map." Driving directions can be found on the <u>State</u> Tournament Page.

Emergency In case of a serious emergency at competition, call 911 or use the red emergency campus call boxes. Non-emergency campus police -252-328-6787

First Aid - Student Health Urgent Care – 9am-12noon

Team members must be with a coach or adult chaperone who is responsible for the students at all times.

When not competing, see other competitions or go to The Scrap Exchange in the Bate Building Lobby. **Security** is difficult when dealing with this many people and other groups who will be on the ECU campus on April 6. Please encourage your students to leave valuables, props, and problem solutions locked in vehicles until needed. Teams leaving personal items, props, and equipment in the prop/check-in rooms, sites, hallways or bathrooms do so at their own risk. We will not be responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged articles.

IMPORTANT PARKING and SHUTTLE BUS INFORMATION YOU MUST SHARE WITH EVERYONE COMING WITH YOUR TEAM TO ECU. [See ECU Bus Routes and Parking E-Maps] DO NOT PARK IN RESTRICTED OR PERMIT PARKING LOTS. Park in the Murphy Center/Minges Coliseum/Stadium Parking lots located on Charles Blvd. and Ficklen Dr.

There will be continuous shuttle buses running on a 15 minute loop from 6:30am-6:30pm FROM 3 pickup stops at the Coliseum/Stadium Park and Ride lots: 1.) Lower lot bus stop, 2.) Minges Coliseum, 3.) Murphy Center/Stadium Gate 6; TO 3 locations on campus near competition sites: 1.) Brewster for Brewster and Fletcher, 2.) Joyner Library for Bate and Mendenhall 3.) Mendenhall. ECU bus drivers will have competition site information so they can answer your questions and direct you to the correct stop. Bus stops should be marked by OotM Shuttle Stop signs. You must plan to build in plenty of extra time to park, ride the shuttle and get to your competition locations. We recommend you park and spend the day on the ECU campus.

Team Registration – Bate Building Lobby

Friday: 6:30-8:30pm Parking regulations will be suspended and not enforced on Friday evening. Saturday: 7:30am-10:30am The Head Coach should pick up and sign for the team's packet. The packet will include programs, certificates, name tags, Awards Ceremony parade line-up number and additional flyers and information as warranted. Please plan to arrive in plenty of time to register, locate sites, and make preparations for competition.

Site Preview If the building and performance area is available and with the permission of the

Head Judge or Problem Captain, sites may be previewed Friday evening. If doors are closed, the room may not be entered. No rehearsals may be held in the competition room. The Score Room, judges' administrative areas, and officials' hospitality rooms are restricted to tournament officials only. Joyner Library is off limits to everyone except for teams and coaches.

NCOM Information and Lost and Found Desk is located in Bate Building lobby.

Things to Do While on Campus [See ECU Things to Do E-Map]

The Scrap Exchange located in Bate Building Lobby.

Youth Arts Festival, ECU Mall, 10am-4pm

Jenkins Fine Arts Exhibitions, Gray Gallery, Self-guided sculpture tour

Self-guided campus tour

Recreation at Mendenhall Student Center: bowling, billiards

Dowdy Student Stores, Wright Building, 11am-4pm

Campus Dining [See ECU Dining E-Map]

Mendenhall Student Center: Java City and Destination 360 (Bleeker Street, Pirate Grill, ENE) 7am-midnight

The Croatan (Chick-fil-A, Pirate Grill, Java City) 7am-2pm

Wright Place (Einstein Brothers Bagels, Sbarro, Java City) 7am-2pm

Bate Building: Bate C3 Express 7am-2pm

West End and Todd Dining Halls, Lunch 10:30am-2pm, Dinner 4:30pm-7pm, \$6 all you can eat

Minges Coliseum Food Concessions, open 4pm

FOOD AND DRINKS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN COMPETITION SITES. Food and drinks must be consumed in designated areas.

Souvenir Sales - Bate Building Lobby

NCOM pins, shirts, and other OM products will be available for purchase. Sale proceeds will benefit NCOM and our teams.

Team Parade and Awards Ceremony at Minges Coliseum Williams Arena

The Awards Ceremony will begin at 5pm (or as soon as the scores are ready) with a grand parade of the 2013 State Finals Teams. Teams and coaches should report to Minges Coliseum at 4:00pm for parade formation. Teams will line-up in the space designated for your team according to the parade position number enclosed in your team registration packet. Team members may carry a banner or small props and wear costumes to "show off" your solutions as you are announced to the audience. Teams and coaches will be seated on the floor. Parents and supporters will be directed to arena seating. Coaches, be prepared for a "Kodak moment" as teams are recognized and presented with their trophies and awards. The audience will not have access to the arena floor. Occasionally, there are delays at competition sites and in the Score Room. If we are running late, please be patient and understand that we want to be fair, thorough and accurate in the scoring of all teams. Please plan to remain for the entire ceremony and the announcement of all results.

World Finals Teams

First and second place teams and Ranatra Fusca winners will advance to the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals at the Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI May 22 – May 25. You MUST notify us right away if your team does not plan to attend World Finals. NCOM may advance 2 teams in each problem/division and we want our state to be fully represented. Teams (especially 3rd place teams) should hold on to props for a few weeks in case we determine that your team may advance to State Finals. A very important World Finals Coaches meeting will begin promptly 10 minutes after the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony. Place TBA. Please go immediately to the meeting following the Awards Ceremony. Your World Finals Awards Packet will include online registration instructions for room and board, detailed information about World Finals, NCOM information, trading pin order forms, and helpful preparation tips for your World Finals odyssey!

Results and Score sheets The only score sheets that may be returned to you are the raw LT scores and Style scores given back at the competition site. The tournament results will be posted on www.ncom.org no later than Monday, April 7.

Coaches: Please print out all Tournament Information, Rules and ECU maps. Bring them with you to tournament and make copies of the information for your team members and their families. **Questions??**

Contact State Tournament Co- Directors: Carolyn Braly 252-249-7256, bralycegmail.com, Robbie Cornell, Robbie.Cornell@onslow.k12.nc.us or Tim Cornell, Tim.Cornell@onslow.k12.nc.us. GOOD LUCK! HAVE FUN!

Thank you so much for the time, energy and talents you give to make this program possible for our children! We wish your team an enjoyable, memorable Odyssey of the Mind experience!