

Friends of NC Odyssey of the Mind

Now is the time to get your creative juices flowing and begin your 2024-2025 Odyssey. Your Region and State Boards have been planning and preparing this summer to again make Odyssey of the Mind a fun learning experience. You can begin your Odyssey journey by purchasing a membership from Odyssey HQ at: <a href="https://odysseyofthemind.com/member-resources/">https://odysseyofthemind.com/member-resources/</a>

Following are a few more items to keep in mind as we begin the year:

- Look for region specific information from your Region Director Mountains to Sea! Central – Mitzi Lynch (mitzilynch.om@gmail.com) Costal – Carolyn Braly (bralyc@gmail.com) Eastern – Randy Burton (ncomepc1) Northern – Allen Ball (allenb486@gmail.com) Western – Pam Norton (westernncom@aol.com)
- 2. Remember to check this site, Facebook, and Instagram throughout the year for information on and updates. From this landing page you can also access region specific websites.
- Full problem descriptions (including Primary) are available now for those who purchase a membership. Un l then, you can check out the problem synopses at: <u>https://odysseyofthemind.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/2025-Synopses-Themed.pdf</u>
- 4. Region and State Tournaments that will be held in Spring 2025 are being planned. Check websites for updates:
  - a. Coastal Region http://www.ncom-coastal.org/
  - b. Central Region http://www.central.ncom.org/
  - c. Northern/Western Regions https://northernncom.wordpress.com/ http://westernncom.org/
  - d. Eastern Region http://ncome.org/
- Region Tournaments registration on fees- \$125 (early bird registration on) and \$175 (regular registration) for Divisions 1, 2, and 3. Registration dates are determined by each region and generally end from late- December to mid-January. Primary team tournament fees vary by region and generally are in the \$35/team range.
- 6. State Tournament fee of \$50 will be charged for any team advancing to the State Tournament. In the past, State Tournaments were paid for in part with a portion on of your Region Tournament fee.

We are looking forward to providing opportunities for our North Carolina students to develop, improve, and showcase their creative problem solving and team building skills.

Stay Creative!

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