

## MADI REGION 1 TOURNAMENT NOTES

West Springfield High School

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### PLEASE REMEMBER:

- ☞ This is a showcase for all teams. They have worked very hard to get to this tournament. It is their opportunity to show off what they've accomplished.
- ☞ Whatever the final results of the day are, all teams are winners. Their accomplishments deserve to be celebrated.
- ☞ Good sportsmanship is the order of the day.
- ☞ See as many teams as possible in as many challenges as possible. You will be nothing short of amazed by what you see.
- ☞ Cheer each other on – that's what makes these tournaments so special!
- ☞ Remember how much work went into everyone's props. Be respectful and be careful around other teams' props.

### PLEASE REMIND FAMILY & FRIENDS OF THESE RULES:

1. Doors will be closed at the beginning of each performance. No one will be allowed to enter or leave the site once the doors are closed. There are no exceptions. Please let parents know to be at a site early so they do not miss a desired performance.
2. Challenge Masters (Head Appraisers) will not start any team early.
3. All video cameras and cell phones, etc must be charged at home. School outlets may not be used. Likewise, please shut your cell phone and/or pager **OFF** during all performances.
4. Please stress to parents that they **may not** approach an appraiser. **ONLY** the Team Manager may approach the Head Appraiser.

### PROPS

1. Props may be brought to the prop room **no more than 30 minutes before performance** time. Please be considerate of the space and keep your materials confined to one area of the room.
2. **Absolutely no** building or repairs of props or sets is allowed in the school. No power tools, glue guns, etc. Nothing may be plugged in. Teams will be assessed a penalty if found building or repairing in the school.
3. Please keep the prop storage areas clean. Remove your supplies and equipment after your performance. Please clean up any mess you have made. **You bring it in – You take it out!**
4. Do not use the school's waste receptacle's to dispose of your unwanted materials, props, etc. **You bring it in – You take it out!**

### INSTANT CHALLENGE

1. Teams should report to the Instant Challenge area 15-20 minutes before their scheduled start time.
2. Only one manager may accompany a team into the Instant Challenge area. No one else will be admitted.
3. Remember that it is the teams' choice whether a manager accompanies them into the IC room
4. Please be considerate of other teams in the Instant Challenge area. While waiting to enter an IC room, the team must remain quiet. Noisy teams may be given a 5-POINT deduction.
5. Remind your team to have their Declaration of Independence form ready for the Instant Challenge Prep Appraiser.
6. Remind your teams about the secrecy of Instant Challenges. They should not discuss them with anyone except their team members or they will be disqualified. This includes post-tournament discussion with media, on the internet, or with other teams, etc.

### INTERFERENCE

**PLEASE NOTE:** TEAMS MAY BE ASSESSED A PENALTY IF INTERFERENCE IS NOTED. Please do not put a team in jeopardy by providing them with well meaning assistance.

#### ☞ **What team managers and parents CAN do:**

1. Cheer your team on. Cheer for other teams. Be upbeat and positive!
2. Help the team carry props into the school.
3. Help team carry props to the staging area.
4. Help the team clean up the performance area and carry the props out of the school once the head appraiser releases the team.

## 👉 What team managers and parents CANNOT do:

1. They cannot help with props - fixing them, assembling or disassembling them, working on them in any way, giving instructions on "how to"
2. They cannot help with hair, makeup, or costumes.
3. Prior to and/or during the performance, they cannot plug electrical cords or equipment into tournament site outlets. If the kids can't do it themselves, they can't use it.
4. Prior to and/or during the performance, they cannot advise team members where to place a prop.
5. During the performance, they cannot prompt a stuck team member, or indicate how much time as past in any way.
6. They cannot help the team during the performance in any way.

## BEHAVIOR

**TEAM MANAGERS AND PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE** for the behavior of all team members and siblings at the tournament (in and outside the building). Running, unruly behavior, vandalism and being in restricted areas will not be tolerated. Please remind team members and other children to refrain from touching lockers, books, desks, computers, gym equipment, or any other school property.

**Any incidents of damage will result in an unsportsmanlike behavior deduction for the team.**

## SCORES

1. Team managers and a member of the team will be given their raw scores after the performance, both central challenge and side trip. The team manager will be called by the head appraiser when the scores are ready - usually after the next team's performance. You have ½ hour to check over the scores and go to the head appraiser with any questions before they go to the score room.
2. Copies of the final scores will be available after closing ceremonies - the location will be announced at that time. You will need your raw score paper to pick up your final score paper. Only the team manager is allowed to pick up the score paper.
4. Instant Challenge scores will be included in the final scores - they will not be given out before this time.

## Other Information

- There will be signs posted to help you find the appropriate prop area drop off. Please move your car as soon as you have finished dropping off team props and/or picking up props.
- In case of an emergency or problem, go to the sales table and ask that either a Regional Director or the Nurse be paged. These are the only people that can be paged.
- We ask that all food remains in the cafeteria. This is a school requirement. We are guests of the school and must treat it with respect if we are to be asked back next year.
- There is **NO SMOKING** on school grounds...anywhere!
- **All teams have ONE final job before closing ceremonies.** Please send one member of your team back to your challenge site in order to help with clean-up. The schedule is as follows:

Breaking DI News: 11:30am

Direct DIposit: 4:30pm

Rising Stars: 4:00pm

Do or DI: 2:30pm

You're Gonna Flip: 5:00pm

DI-BOT: 2:45pm

**Closing Ceremonies will not begin until all props, sets, costumes, supplies,  
are removed from the school and the school is clean.**