

# projectOUTREACH®: Pitch & Play at Global Finals 2014



Congratulations to you and your team on your accomplishments this year. We look forward to meeting and working with you at Global Finals 2014!

The Presentation Sites for the projectOUTREACH: Pitch & Play teams will be in the University Center.

- **Elementary Level: University Center**
  - Prop Storage – University Center Ballroom – Room 213
  - Presentations -- Rooms in middle of University Center
- **Middle Level: University Center**
  - Prop Storage – University Center Ballroom – Room 213
  - Presentations – Rooms in middle of University Center
- **Secondary and University Level: University Center**
  - Prop Storage – University Center Ballroom – Room 213
  - Presentations – University Center Auditorium

## **Before the Presentation:**

The Prop Storage Area at the University Center is close to all three Presentation sites. It is directly across the hall from the Elementary and Middle Level sites, and around the corner and down the hallway from the Secondary/University Level site.

Please keep the doorways and pathways to the Prop Storage and Prep Areas clear. Teams must be able to enter and exit with their props without damaging other team solutions in the process. If your team does not compete until Friday or Saturday, please store your props further back in the room.

Electrical outlets are provided along the walls of the Prop Storage room. All teams need access to these, so do not allow your team to block the outlets with their props, costumes, tools, etc. Teams are not allowed to claim space in the Prop Storage Room with tape or other markings on the floor. This is a shared space, and it must be equally available to all teams.

Once your team has uncrated their props, it is best to have only the team and Team Managers in the Prop Storage room while the team assembles its solution. Remember, only team members may reassemble or repair their Challenge solution. No one is allowed to move or touch another team's Challenge solution or tools.

***Painting, sawing, and spraying paint or other aerosols are not allowed inside the Prop Storage areas.*** Please find a safe place for your team to do these things outside, if they are necessary. Teams are usually happy to share tools and supplies, but **do not borrow tools or equipment from other teams without their permission.** Be courteous to other teams and refrain from running, throwing, or rough-housing around and in the Prop Storage Area. This type of behavior is inappropriate and leads to broken props that may belong to another team. If your team needs to let off steam, find an appropriate place to do this.

**Rules of the Road, Rules of Interference and Rules of Safety for Team Challenges apply to this tournament!** Appraisers and other tournament Officials will deduct points for Interference or Unsportsmanlike Conduct in order to keep a level playing field for all teams.

The projectOUTREACH: Pitch & Play Challenge has two Published Clarifications this year. Published Clarifications supersede the Team Challenge, Rules of the Road, and a Team Clarification. Please make sure your team is aware of them.

#1 - August 28, 2013

In the Challenge, section E.2.c should read: Effective integration of the live demonstration of Play into the Presentation.

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#2 - September 10, 2013

Destination Imagination is not just a tournament. We are committed to teaching the Creative Process, which consists of 6 stages. Reflection is an important part of this process. Page 3 of the Tournament Data Form is designed to encourage and help teams to reflect on their journey through the Creative Process. All Tournament Data Forms are only informational. Teams should bring copies of the forms to their DI tournaments, but they will not be scored and there will be no deductions for missing or incomplete forms. They are used only to help the Appraisers as they look at Challenge requirements.

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**On the day of your team's Presentation:**

Your team should report to the **Prep Area at least 20 minutes** before its scheduled Presentation time. On Saturday morning, Knoxville hosts the Tennessee Sports Medicine EXPO - 10K, 5K & Fun Walk road race. Several streets are blocked off and traffic rerouted for this. Teams and spectators should allow extra time to get to the Presentation Sites on Saturday morning.

**Presentation Sites:** The Presentation Sites are larger than the minimum size required by the Challenge (8ft deep x 10ft wide). The Elementary and Middle Level Presentation Sites have industrial type carpeting on the floor. Secondary/University Level teams will perform on the Auditorium's hard wood stage; these teams will enter from the back of the auditorium and proceed to the Launch Area that will be located on the stage.

Parents and other non-team members may assist the team in moving their Challenge solution from the Prep Area to the Launch Area. However, only team members may repair anything that is damaged. In the Launch Area, teams may complete assembly of props and scenery as long as this activity does not delay the tournament schedule. However, they may not plug devices into the electrical outlet until the tournament Presentation time begins.

This Challenge does not have boundaries for the Presentation area and the 8 ft. by 10 ft. space will not be taped. Once time begins, the Launch Area becomes part of the Presentation Site, and there are no restrictions that limit the area team members may use to perform.

Parents and supporters must enter the Challenge sites through the Audience Entrance doorways to watch the Presentation. Please be courteous and do not enter or leave a Presentation Site while a Presentation is in progress.

Teams may choose to practice their Challenge solution in their dorms, outside, or at some other location deemed appropriate. At no time, before or after scheduled Presentations, will teams be allowed to practice or rehearse in the Presentation Sites. We want to make sure we provide a level playing field and safe environment for all teams and equipment. Props and set pieces should not be left unattended in hallways, and teams should not practice in busy hallways. Entrances to all doors and hallways must remain clear to provide a safe environment for all teams and spectators.

Additional lights may be set up by our camera crew around the Presentation Site and turned on for all teams. The lighting at the Presentation Site may not be dimmed, altered, or turned off during the team's Presentation. Microphones will not be provided for teams to use during their Presentation. Teams are responsible for providing all of the equipment necessary for their Presentations.

We have a full schedule of teams, so we do not have time to allow staged pictures to be taken of the team in the Presentation Area. After the Appraisers have finished talking with the team, the team and its supporters will remove all items from the Presentation Area. Please feel free to take pictures of the team and their fabulous creations outside the Presentation site. There will be a clearly marked path from the Presentation site that will lead to the prop disposal area. Due to safety concerns, teams will not be allowed to climb into the dumpsters, so be cautious about what is thrown into the dumpster!

Before you leave the building, be sure to double check the Prop Storage Area and the Presentation Site to make sure that the team has removed all of its items, tools, repair kits, etc.

When your team's raw Team Challenge scores are ready to be picked up, your Team Name will be posted at the Presentation Site. The Head Appraiser will give back raw Team Challenge scores to one Team Manager and one team member. Be prepared to give the Head Appraiser a cell phone number where you can be reached during the tournament.

### **Tournament Data Form Page 3**

We will be using Page 3 of the Tournament Data Forms: The Creative Process for a research project later in the year. These forms will be collected in the Prep Area. Please be sure your team members reflect thoughtfully on how they experienced the creative process as they solved the Team Challenge. Evaluation is an important part of this process, and their thoughts will help us to make the program stronger and more meaningful through academic research.

We hope this helps, and we look forward to seeing you at the **Team Manager meeting on Tuesday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Knoxville Convention Center Ballrooms**. After the general meeting, we will have an opportunity to meet you, introduce our wonderful Head Appraisers, and address any last minute issues pertinent to the Challenge or Presentation Sites. Please know that we will be available to answer your questions or concerns even during the competition days. We will not have "office hours," but we will be available at the Presentation Sites if you need to speak with us. We want this to be a positive and fun experience for everyone.

***That's our Pitch and now it's time to Play in Knoxville!***

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