

# 2009 \*\*\* Coordinators' Notebook \*\*\* 2010



Coordinators **AFTER** the NH-DI State Tournament in March

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# Are YOU the DI Coordinator? Here's your job description!



1. **PLAN A COFFEE** -- need Coordinator/Contact Meeting this fall. Call Jill and meet her for coffee at a convenient location!
2. **SEND** out some DI flyers or place an article in your school newsletter!
3. **BUY** your DI Membership at [www.shopDI.org](http://www.shopDI.org)
4. **ORGANIZE** a Destination ImagiNation Night, show the program DVD -- get others excited and **enlist** those unsuspecting parents and others to be Team Managers & Volunteers -- NOW!
5. **EMAIL** workshop information, team registration forms, etc. for your Team Managers.
6. **CONFIRM** that your Team Managers have ALL the program materials (e.g. Challenges, Rules of the Road, Clarifications, Guides, etc.) and understand the process of emailing DI for Clarifications to get answers to their team's Challenge questions.
7. **REGISTER** your Team Managers for one or both of the NH-DI training sessions.  
See specific flyers. **NEWBIE Workshop** (10/31) is a MUST for new Team Managers (not RS!)!  
**The Team Manager's CAFE**(11/21) is for Vets, RisingStars! & Newbies!
8. **RECRUIT** one enthusiastic, positive, kid-friendly adult **per team** to be an **APPRAISER**.  
**Start NOW** -- no prior experience in creative problem solving needed. Appraisers MUST go to training and judge at one NH-DI tournament – we cannot run our tournaments without them!
10. **REGISTER** all teams for their NH-DI Regional by **December 18, 2009**. Collect all team information for ONLINE input on or BEFORE 12/18. And payment – online via Paypal or with check or PO # – payment MUST be received before your team can be “officially” registered.
11. **SIGN-UP** your teams for . . . . .  
(Flyers in this Coordinator's Notebook or in NH-DI Impt. Paper Library site at [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org))
  - **Instant Combustion, Improv & Skills Workshop Saturday, 1/9/10** at UNH/Durham.  
Also breakouts with Affiliate Challenge Master to ask questions about the team's challenge
10. **UPHOLD** the Destination ImagiNation rules and NH-DI philosophy.

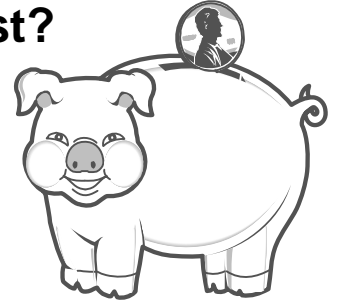
**If you do not have the time or do not wish to do this job....PLEASE give these materials to the appropriate person at your school.**

**Thank you and have a DI-**



**-ite year!**

## How Much Does NH Destination ImagiNation Cost?



### **2009-2010 DI Registration:** (This \$\$\$ goes to New Jersey to DIHQ)

- \$135 -- for a 1-team pak (Printed materials and CD sent)
- \$ 390 -- for a 5-team pak ( with 5 sets of materials and CDs)
- \$ 265 -- upgrade from a 1-team to a 5-team pak
- \$ 25 -- additional fee for requested extra material (printed and CD)
- \$ 40 -- for a Rising Stars! Team if NOT included in a 5-Pak (6<sup>th</sup> team!)

### **Per TEAM Fee to attend a NH-DI Regional Tournament** (This is NH \$\$\$)

- \$100 / team for Elementary, Middle, & Secondary Level Teams\* (\$125 after 12/18)
- \$ 75/ team for Rising Stars! Teams (\$100 after 12/18)

Regional Payment is due on December 18, 2009 – Checks, Purchase Orders, Visa/MC accepted!

\* Note: There is a fee of \$75/team for NOT having an Appraiser for the Regional Meet!

### **Per TEAM Fee to attend a NH-DI State Tournament**

- \$ 30.00 per team for Elementary, Middle, & Secondary Level Teams

\* Note: There is a fee of \$100/team for NOT having an Appraiser at the State Meet –ouch!

### **TWO Team Manager Trainings:**

- \$ 35.00 – NEWBIE Workshop – BASIC training on 10/31/09 (\$45 after 11/9)
- \$ 35.00 – Team Manager’s Café – for Vets, NEWBIES and Rising Stars! on 11/21/09 (\$45 after 11/10)

### **Team Materials:**

Each challenge has a cost limit, but most materials are scrounged from around the house and are not expensive (although they are assigned a yard sale value).

Budget \$80 ~\$175/team depending on the Challenge.

Hint: Have each team member contribute \$20 for supplies and miscellaneous expenses at the beginning of the season. Then, the TMs can ask for more \$\$ when that is gone!

**Workshop for Teams:** chose to attend our skill-building workshop for team members at UNH in Durham on January 9, 2010 -- includes an Instant Challenge session, a team workshop on a selected topic and Improv Games!

\$5.00 per team member/student

### **Miscellaneous Expenses:**

- DI-Wear: some memberships buy our NH Destination ImagiNation t-shirts! We will personalize them w/ your school name (approx.\$10.00 – \$12.50).
- Resources: **great** books and creative problem solving materials sold at trainings. (priceless)
- Souvenirs: NH-DI t-shirts, sweatshirts, pins and other great stuff are sold at tournaments.
- A Wrap-Up Event: an end of the year party for all participating team members – this is really important! Order lots of PIZZA or ICE CREAM!

# Getting Started with Destination ImagiNation® in NH

## What is required to get a Destination ImagiNation program going?

1. **A Membership!** Just **register online ([www.shopDI.org](http://www.shopDI.org))** or send in that registration form!
2. **Support!** If school affiliated, the school's administration should be involved and supportive, because not only is this program GREAT for kid's but it frequently generates media attention and can be a significant source of positive public relations between the school and the community.
3. **Some funds!** The annual Membership fee, team registration for the NH-DI tournament, and team supplies are usually provided by the host school/organization/team sponsor. See below!
4. **A Coordinator!** There should also be a liaison person (a coordinator) to facilitate communication between our state NH-DI office and the school and the school and the Team Managers.

## Here's how to get more people interested!

- ⇒ Set up a meeting at your organization or school for interested parents. Use the "Sample Letter to Parents" on the NH-DI website in the Paper Library ~ just fill in your meeting information and send it out. Invite administrators, faculty members and the school board as well. NH-DI has a DVD available for your introduction –contact us if you do not have a school copy! A picture is worth a thousand words. . .  
 \*\*\* Remember: NH Destination ImagiNation is not a program you can run by yourself.  
 You will need the commitment of others as officials, team managers and supporters.
- ⇒ Have your NEW Team Managers go to the Newbie Workshop. We offer training workshops with lots of helpful handouts. This session is appropriate for anyone wanting to know more about Destination ImagiNation or how to present creative problem solving challenges to children. This workshop will surely make them enthusiastic about the program and more confident in their role as Team Manager.
- ⇒ Send veteran Team Managers to our annual Team Manager's Café – an all-day workshop for all experience levels held on a Saturday in early December.  
 Workshop sessions include: group dynamics, multiple intelligence, techniques for problem solving, and lots more. Most sessions are hands-on, interactive and fun! Our workshops are open to any parent, team manager, program supporter, school administrator, teacher, etc.

**Kids will enjoy solving these challenges!** There are fun Destination ImagiNation-like projects to do with kids. NH-DI carries tons of books with great ideas to get teams thinking and doing! Get a group of kids together and see what happens . . .and have FUN! NH-DI also has evens for teams to give our participants a DI-style activity to jumpstart their creativity! See calendar and flyer for details.

**Get your NEW DI Membership for 2009-2010?** Sign up online at [www.shopDI.org](http://www.shopDI.org) or download a paper registration form from [www.nh-di.org/](http://www.nh-di.org/) and mail the completed form to Destination ImagiNation in New Jersey. Choose either the Individual or a 5-Pak of Teams. You will receive program materials for each team in a printed format as well as a CD. Additional copies of this program material can be purchased for \$25 from DI or just download & print from the Destination ImagiNation website after you have purchased your membership.

**Choose a Coordinator carefully!** When you join the Destination ImagiNation Program, you will be asked to fill in your school's information. This includes the name of the coordinator. This person MUST be email and internet savvy. H/She will receive both DI and NH-DI materials. He/She has the critically important job of communicating all information on to the Team Managers and school officials and parents when necessary. Without this IMPORTANT communication link, teams will not know of Challenge updates, training opportunities, tournament information, or lots of other important stuff. PLEASE CHOOSE SOMEONE WITH EASY ACCESS TO ALL PARTICIPANTS AND WHO HAS THE COMMITMENT AND TIME TO MAKE THIS ALL POSSIBLE.



**If you are registered and all set to begin. What do you do?**

- ⇒ Meet with interested parents, school, and children wishing to become involved.
- ⇒ Register Team Managers for the Newbie Workshop or for the Team Manager's Café – do it NOW!
- ⇒ Set up your teams NOW and let them begin working on team building, CPS tools and IC skills.
- ⇒ Order appropriate books from NH-DI
- ⇒ Sign up teams to attend an NH-DI January workshops for kids
- ⇒ Call your Team Managers often to check on their progress and find out what they need!

**You're on your way!****Are you too late for this year?**

- ⇒ Maybe, maybe not. Many teams do not start working on the Destination ImagiNation Team Challenges until Thanksgiving. Some start as late as December/January. It certainly is nice if you have time to practice some team building activities in the fall (available at our training) before getting into actual Challenge solutions. Typically, teams practice short, fun challenges at first to get warmed up. Often teams that start working on the actual problems as early as September or October find that they are burned out or tired of the challenge by March. Some are just too competitive to make the whole process fun. You will need to gauge the time available and the commitment of your team.
- ⇒ If it's January, you'll have to be sure everyone is REALLY committed. It is unfair to make a team rush through a solution and not have a positive experience. However, if you are really willing to focus on the creative process and team building and NOT let the frenzy of the competition and having a "finished" product get in the way, your team could have a really worthwhile first experience with Destination ImagiNation.

**If you're really too late, can you do anything this year to prepare a team?**

- ⇒ There are tons of books with creative problems to solve (There is a great bibliography in the Team Manager's Guide). NH-DI offers many of these books at our Café Trainings or through our book catalogue. Use some of these resources to get teams of kids interested in CPS and having fun!
- ⇒ Bring potential team members, parents or school reps to our tournaments to enjoy and learn. They will have a much clearer idea of what the program is all about.
- ⇒ A perfect way to learn more this year would be to volunteer as an Appraiser. Every team MUST have an Appraiser, so you could gain first-hand experience and fulfill an important role for some school team! Find interested parents or school personnel to join you and have them become Appraisers too. We train 450 Appraisers to judge at our tournaments in March and everyone truly enjoys the chance to see the program in action. Appraisers get a full understanding of our philosophy, goals and rules and it makes working with a team next year a snap!
- ⇒ Consider building your program by getting everything ready for the following year!

**Confused? Need more information?** Call Jill at (603) 868-2140 or email [jill@nh-di.org](mailto:jill@nh-di.org)

## PURCHASING YOUR DI TEAM PAKS

(This is your official DI registration -- this is NOT your NH Regional Registration!)

There are three ways to purchase your official DI Team Paks:

1. Register with DI Online -- the easiest and fastest method by far!

Go to <http://www.shopdi.org>

Click on the box on the right that says . . . “Start a Team”

If you run into “technical difficulty” or have questions, click on “contact us or email [askDI@dihq.org](mailto:askDI@dihq.org)

2. Call DI HQ at **1-888-321-1503** – speak to a DI Rep ( Tip: have your credit card handy!)

3. Download a Team Pak Application. Return your paper form by mail or fax to DIHQ.

Go to <http://www.idodi.org>

Click on the Start a Team Form on the right side of the page.



## REGISTERING TEAMS FOR YOUR NH-DI REGIONAL MEET

Register teams BEFORE December 18, 2009 by completing all required information. (\$100)

Note: Regional Fees increase to \$125/team on 12/19/09

Go to [www.nh-di.org/online](http://www.nh-di.org/online)

Login & choose “teams” from the top menu.

Then, chose “edit my teams” from the left menu.

The School DI COORDINATOR MUST:

1. Associate a Team Manager (TM) with each of your membership numbers
2. Complete contact information for your Team Managers
3. Indicate how payment will be handled (Tip: tell your TMs how to fill in this information)
  - Option 1: each team payment is made online with Paypal (or can use credit card)
  - Option 2: school/pto/TM will send check – indicate check # for each team
  - Option 3: school PO will be used for all teams – PO # must be included

The information below must also be entered by the coordinator or by the team manager associated with each team pak number. A team is officially registered when ALL this information is complete.

- Names as well as birth dates or grade level for all Team Members
- The Team’s Challenge
- Special considerations (such as disability or scheduling conflict)  
 IMPORTANT – add in Detail section under NOTES!!!
- Method of payment – Paypal /PO # /check #
- Name and email address of Team’s Appraiser\*\*\*
- Name, email and cell phone # (important on day of meet!) of team’s 2-hour volunteer

\*\*\* Recruit your Team Appraiser early and forward a copy of the NH-DI Appraisal Packet (available at [http://www.nh-di.org/important\\_papers.htm](http://www.nh-di.org/important_papers.htm)) or send them to the NH-DI Appraiser Site at [http:// www.nh-di.org/online](http://www.nh-di.org/online) to complete their registration online BEFORE 12/18/09.

## Important Appraiser Information for 2009-10

- Each team must have an adult represent their DI team as an appraiser or pay a fee.
- Appraising is a two-day commitment -- one Saturday training & a Regional Tournament.
- Appraisers need no prior NH-DI experience or knowledge. They will be well trained and work with an experienced team of officials.
- Appraisers must attend one state training held in late January or early February. However, some Appraising positions DO NOT require training (see next page) or re-training. If your appraiser has previously trained and appraised Instant Challenge, they may not need to attend ANY training session, BUT will need to take the online IC Appraiser test.
- If the appraiser representing your team is a parent of one of the team members, they cannot be assigned to their child's challenge. And if they sign-up to officiate at their child's meet, they will NOT be able to see their child's performance. NO exceptions can be made! Please insist that they attend another Meet on the alternate weekend in March!
- If you are a team manager, you will make a great appraiser but may NOT work in the Challenge you are managing or appraise at your team's Meet!
- As an Appraiser, you can enjoy knowing you have helped provide an outlet for creativity in children. You will also receive an official's t-shirt and an Official's Luncheon.
- Appraisers need to review the job choices, the synopsis of the current challenges and then, complete the online Appraiser Registration Form. Your appraiser will need to know your team pak number or the Team Manager's information to register. Incomplete registrations will not be processed.
- All Appraiser information is due by December 18, 2009.
- Appraisers registering earlier are more likely to be assigned a position they requested. We make every effort to assign appraisers based on their 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice preferences.
- Appraisers will be sent their assignment and all necessary materials and directions on the upcoming training sessions by email in January.

Please take this 2-day commitment seriously. This program teaches kids about commitment and teamwork. We expect the adults to set the example. If you sign up, please follow through and attend the Saturday training and officiate at your assigned Meet .

Teams without an appraiser can pay a \$75 fee at the Regional level and \$100 at States in order to be officially registered. If an assigned and registered appraiser does not show up at training, the team will be invoiced for the \$75 fee. Teams must make sure that the adult designated as their Appraiser take their commitment seriously. Please understand that we have this policy only because NH-DI is run totally by volunteers and we can't provide tournaments without the help from each team. We want your volunteers - not the money.

If you are looking for Appraisers, DO IT NOW! Being an NH-DI appraiser is a lot of fun! Appraisers are parents, administrators, school board members, team managers and community business people, but not high school students – sorry! Just be sure that the Appraisers you select are kid-friendly and have a sense of humor! We LOVE new Appraisers! Try to entice someone who is unfamiliar with the program – they will enjoy the experience!

To help you locate Appraisers, you may check our online at list of NH-DI's EXPERIENCED APPRAISERS from 2009 by town. Contact them to be your team's Appraiser for 2010! Every Appraisers must commit to attend BOTH a training session as well as officiate at one tournament. Of course, your Appraiser can sign up for a SECOND Regional to support an additional team!

## **NH-DI POLICY STATEMENTS**

### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE & PAYMENT:**

Online registration must be completed no later than DECEMBER 18, 2009.

Payment can be made online with a credit card.

Purchase Orders or checks can also be used for online registration and then faxed to 868-2140 or sent by mail to NH-DI, 24 Mill Road, Durham, NH 03824 to arrive on or before 12/18/09 -- Teams cannot be considered "officially" registered, if payment is not received.

### **NH-DI TOURNAMENT FEES:**

\$100.00 per team for all Elementary/Middle/Secondary Levels

\$ 75.00 per team for "Rising Stars!" ONLY

\$ 30.00 per team for all teams advancing to State Meet

### **LATE REGISTRATON & NO APPRAISER FEES** ALL charges must be paid prior to the meet!

Late or Incomplete Data: \$125.00/team if incomplete or registered after 12/18/09

No Appraiser Penalty: \$ 75.00/team at Regionals

\$100/team at the State Tournament

### **FYI –**

If a team's designated Appraiser reneges or misses training, the team will be invoiced \$75.00.

If a team does not pay this charge, they may perform at their Regional Meet, BUT they will not be scored. Please make sure your team Appraiser fully understands their commitment. Teams may APPEAL to their Regional Director in the case of extenuating circumstances.

### **SPECIAL APPRASIER POSITIONS**

These positions usually allow your volunteer to see specific team performances.

There are a very limited number of these positions - sign up early by calling 868-2140.

- **Sales Table Coordinator** (2 per tournament)  
Responsible for the set up and coordination of the sales table at the tournament, this is a full day job. Works with other sales table officials to handle sales of merchandise, process credit card purchases and assist customers. SHORT TRAINING REQUIRED.
- **Appraisal Food Coordinator** (1 per tournament)  
Responsible for provision of breakfast and lunch for tournament officials. (Approximately 100) This is a full day job – includes shopping, set up and maintain appraiser lounge. Volunteers will be assigned to help with food prep. Budget and shopping lists will be provided by NH-DI. NO TRAINING NEEDED, however Food Coordinators will need to communicate with their Regional Directors before the Meet!
- **Tournament Medical Official** (1 per tournament)  
Must be a certified RN, EMT or MD to be on call at the tournament all day for any health or medical problems. Tournament will provide an appropriate space for treatment as necessary. NO TRAINING NEEDED.

# IMPORTANT!



## MEDIA RELEASE INFORMATION

### **NH Destination ImagiNation**

24 Mill Road Durham, NH 03824  
Phone/Fax: 868-2140 Email: [jill@nh-di.org](mailto:jill@nh-di.org)

September 2009

To NH-DI Coordinator, Team Managers, and Parents,

From time to time videotapes and/or photographs are taken at our NH Destination ImagiNation events: camps, trainings, programs and meets that may be displayed on our website or used in in-state displays or as promotional material. New Hampshire's Incredible Creativity Connection (NHICC) may make alterations or editions to and copyright the material in whole or in part.

Parents and students may refuse release of any or all of these materials related to specific students, provided that a written request is received by N.H. Destination Imagination at 24 Mill Road, Durham, NH 03824 by December 18th of the current school year.

Thank you.

*Jill*

Jill Schoonmaker  
NH-DI Affiliate DI-rector

## About Our NH-DI Rising Stars! Teams

- The Rising Stars! program is for fun, practice and performance experience! The team presentations are not judged, but are softly critiqued. Usually, the students who participate in this program are less than 9 years of age. **HOWEVER**, older students may be included on Rising Stars! teams, if the Coordinator/Team Manager considers it appropriate!
- The RS! Challenge includes a guide with activities geared to our youngest participants. **Weighty News** (the 2010 Rising Stars! Challenge) is part of the Destination ImagiNation program materials or can be purchased online at ShopDI. This RS! Challenge has language and complexity appropriately suited to young problem solvers as well as other materials for teaching creative problem solving tools, critical thinking and teamwork to young children.
- NH-DI welcomes all Rising Star teams to our regional tournaments. We like to encourage early participation in the program. There are specially trained Appraisers and awards for NH-DI Rising Stars! teams.
- Rising Stars' Team Managers are encouraged to sign up for the Team Manager's Café in NOVEMBER and take part in a special training prepared just for RS! team leaders!
- **IMPORTANT** – Rising Stars! Teams need to have an team number to participate at a Regional Meet – there are 2 ways to get one!
  1. a RS! team can be part of a school Destination Imagination 5-team Pak
  2. a RS! Team can also pay \$40 to DIHQ on [www.shopDI.org](http://www.shopDI.org)
- The Regional Fee for a Rising Stars! Teams is \$75 (after 12/18--\$100).
- Rising Stars! teams **may** have more than seven members on a team and **all** team members may participate in every aspect of the tournament *including Instant Challenge*.
- There is a SPECIAL *Instant Challenge* for Rising Stars! at NH-DI Regionals & it is FUN!
- RS! teams are NEVER scored.
- The Rising Stars! Kits I & II are still available from NH-DI
 

Kit 1 =\$15      Kit II =\$15

Call Jill for information on purchasing at kit at 868-2140.

Sign-up online for a **NEW** RS! workshop at our UNH event on 1/9/10!



# DI EXTREME for High School Teams!



Hey, HIGH SCHOOL DI Teams!

Too busy to do a DI Challenge this year?\*

Hate to miss out on all the FUN?

Still looking for something challenging & rewarding?

## TRY DI EXTREME!

It's edgy; it's intense; it's real! This creative problem solving experience takes teamwork to a whole new level. Taking full advantage of 11th hour techniques, DI EXTREME teams solve heavy task-based challenges with a dash of performance pizzazz in minimal time and, of course, with limited resources.

Become a NH DI EXTREME Team and get ready to experience CPS FUN in a quasi-competitive environment in just two to three hours at our State Tournament in 2010! Register NOW!

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 27, 2010

**WHERE:** Nashua High School NORTH (tentative)

**HOW:** Fill-out the DI EXTREME Form below! Return to: 24 Mill Rd., Durham, NH 03824

**COST:** \$100.00/team (after 1/30/10 -- \$125.00)

**BRING:** A "Team Manager" & a Ton of Creativity!

Space is LIMITED! Register NOW! Additional information will be sent DI-rectly to each participating teams!

\*\* YES, High School teams MAY do BOTH a regular DI Challenge and DI EXTREME!



**DI EXTREME for High School Teams** Return to: 24 Mill Rd., Durham, NH 03824

TM Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address for Confirmation \_\_\_\_\_ Evening #: \_\_\_\_\_

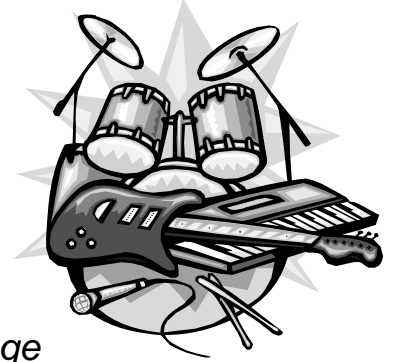
{ Yes, an adult WILL accompany this DI EXTREME Team! Any team member with special needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Check # or PO # (payable to NH-DI): \_\_\_\_\_

Visa/MC Card # \_\_\_\_\_

# LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NEW? WANT TO COMBINE DI AND COMMUNITY SERVICE?

Then, projectOUTREACH is just for YOU!



## ABOUT pO --

projectOUTREACH® is a Destination ImagiNation *Team Challenge* designed to engage students in community activism. In projectOUTREACH, teams are invited to address real community issues through personal expression. Teams of middle school, high school, and university-aged students are being challenged to use their creativity, thinking skills and teamwork to make a DI-ference.

Band Together!, the 2009-10 projectOUTREACH Challenge, is inspired by MAE, an indie-rock band from Norfolk, Virginia. This year, rather than release a full-length album, MAE is releasing a new song every month on their website. Fans can download each song for a minimum donation of a dollar, and all of the proceeds go to a charity of MAE's choosing.

Teams participating in projectOUTREACH will take MAE's lead and use music to address real issues in their communities. Each team can select any specific issue in their local community, and then they will use music as a tool to address that issue. As their community projects evolve, teams are invited to engage others in their community to promote their cause.

Teams will present their community projects at the NH-DI **State** Tournament!

Questions? – call Jill at 868-2140

**WHAT REGION ARE YOU IN?****REVISED AGAIN FOR 2009-10**

Regional Distribution &amp; Regional DI-rectors

Note: Snow Dates in ( )

**Swanzy Regional** Sat, March 6 (3/7)

Reg.DI-rector – Dan Whitney – 899-5637

Acworth	Dublin	Harrisville	Marlow	Spofford	Weare
Alstead	Enfield	Henniker	Meriden	Springfield	Westmorland
Amherst	Fitzwilliam	Hillsboro	Milford	Stoddard	Wilton
Antrim	Francestown	Hinsdale	Mont Vernon	Sullivan	Winchester
	Gilsum	Hollis	Munsonville	Sunapee	
Bennington	Goshen	Jaffrey	N Walpole	Swanzy	
Canaan	Grantham	Keene	New Ipswich	Temple	
Charlestown	Greenfield	Lebanon	Newport	Troy	
Chesterfield	Greenfield	Lempster	Peterborough	W Lebanon	
Claremont	Hancock	Lyndeborough	Plainfield	Walpole	

**Tilton Regional** Sat, March 6 (3/7)

Co-Reg.DI-rectors – Janet Prindle – 934-8213

Jim Heedles -- 673-7395

Alton	Colebrook	Gonic	Louden	Pembroke	Tamworth
Andover	Concord	Gorham	Lyme	Penacook	Thornton
Ashland	Contoocook	Grafton	Madison	Piermont	Tilton
Barnstead	Conway	Groveton	Meredith	Pittsburg	Union
Bartlett	Ctr Strafford	Haverhill	Milton	Pittsfield	Wakefield
Bath	CtrTuftonboro	Hebron	Monroe	Plymouth	Warner
Belmont	Danbury	Hill	Moultonboro	Rochester	Warren
Berlin	Deerfield	Hopkinton	N Conway	Rollinsford	Wentworth
Bethlehem	Dover / Errol	Intervale	New Durham	Rumney	Whitefield
Boscawen	Effingham	Jackson	New London	Salisbury	Wilmot Flat
Bow	Farmington	Jefferson	NewHampton	Sanbornton	Wolfeboro
Bradford	Franconia	Laconia	Northfield	Sanbornville	Woodstock
Bristol	Franklin	Lancaster	Northwood	Sandwich	Woodsville
Campton	Freedom	Lincoln	Nottingham	Stewartstown	
Cantebury	Gilford	Lisbon	Orford	Stratford	
Cntr Harbor	Gilmanton	Littleton	Ossipee	Sutton	



**IMPORTANT:** Please CAREFULLY note which Regional your school is participating in this year. Towns have been redistributed and as a result, some teams will be driving a bit further on that ONE exciting Saturday morning in March. Thank you for your cooperation in advance!

**Kingston Regional** Sat, March 13 (3/14)

Reg.DI-rector -- Carrie Thompson -- 746-5251

Atkinson	Durham	Hampstead	Madbury	Plaistow	Seabrook
Barrington	Epping	Hampton	New Castle	Portsmouth	So Hampton
Brentwood	Epsom	Hampton Falls	Newington	Raymond	Stratham
Candia	Exeter	Kingston	Newmarket	Rye	Windham
Danville	Fremont	Lee	Newton	Salem	
Derry	Greenland	Londonderry	No Hampton	Sandown	

**Bedford Regional** Sat, March 13 (3/14)

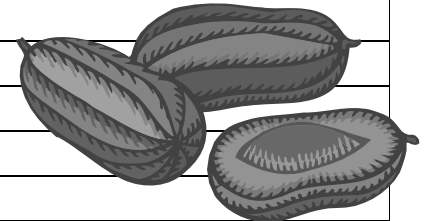
Reg.DI-rector – Wendy Langelier – 595-3511

Auburn	Dunbarton	Litchfield	New Boston	
Brookline	Goffstown	Manchester	Pelham	
Candia	Hooksett	Merrimack	Bedford	
Chester	Hudson	Nashua		

IF YOUR TOWN IS NOT LISTED,  
CALL JILL @ 868-2140

# THE NH-DI EVENTS CALENDAR FOR 2009-2010

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT	NOTES
10/31/09	Saturday	08:30 AM	NEW Improved Newbie Training!	Newfound Regional High School
11/21/09	Saturday	08:30 AM	Rising Stars! Team Manager's Workshop!	Southern NH University, Manchester
11/21/09	Saturday	08:30 AM	Team Manager's Cafe – Vets and Newbies	Southern NH University, Manchester
12/05/09	Saturday	08:30 AM	Regional Challenge Master's Training	For RCMs ONLY -- Plaistow
12/18/09			Appraiser Registration Deadline for 2010	Use the NH-DI Online Registration site
12/18/09			Regional Registrations Due	Use the NH-DI Online Registration site
01/9/10	Saturday	10:15 AM	Meet the Affiliate Challenge Masters!	Discuss your Team's Challenge w/ the EXPERTS
01/9/10	Saturday	10:15 AM	Instant Combustion, Skills & Improv Workshop	At the MUB at UNH, Durham
01/30/10	Saturday	08:30 AM	Appraiser Training -- Pennichuck MS, Nashua	Snowdate: 2/20 or come on 2/6
02/06/10	Saturday	08:30 AM	Appraiser's Training – TBA	Snowdate: 2/20 or MA Training on 2/13
02/13/10	Saturday	08:30 AM	Massachusetts Appraiser's Training, Byfield, MA	Triton Regional HS
02/20/10	Saturday	08:30 AM	Appraiser Training --NH Snowdate at Original Site	
03/06/10	Saturday		Swanzey Regional, Monadnock Reg. HS	Snowdate: 3/7
03/06/10	Saturday		Tilton Regional, Winnisquam Reg. HS/MS	Snowdate: 3/7 <b>Dates?</b>
03/13/10	Saturday		Timberlane Regional High School, Plaistow	Snowdate: 3/14
03/13/10	Saturday		Bedford Regional, Bedford High School	Snowdate: 3/14
03/27/10	Saturday		NH-DI State Tournament	TBA
05/07/10	Friday	05:30 PM	Spoil Your Dinner -- TBA	TBA
05/26/10	Wednesday		DI Global Finals--Univ. of Tenn., Knoxville	Thru May 30 <sup>th</sup>



## JUST CALL THEM ON THE GRAPELINE ..... or USE E-MAIL!

Here is contact information for NHICC Board Members and others who will **help** you with ALL your Destination ImagiNation issues!!! Please note that these people are volunteers. Most prefer to be called at home in the evening. Please be patient and understanding, if sometimes, they do not get right back to you. When calling in the evening, please try to place your calls before 9 PM. You can e-mail NHICC Board Members by using their first name followed by a period and then their last name @nh-di.org.

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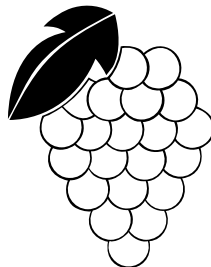
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Direct DIposit  
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pO -- Band Together!!  
Instant Challenge  
DI eXtreme

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# Family Destination ImagiNation Night

A FUN School Enrichment Opportunity

Offered by **New Hampshire Destination Imagination**



Creative Problem Solving  
Teamwork  
Creative Thinking



A free presentation and workshop for your school community!

## What

Teams of our states best New Hampshire Destination Imagination presenters will engage and involve your school's students and parents in the activities and problem solving strategies that stretch imaginations, encourage ideas and thinking that go beyond the classroom material, target those curriculum standards, and promote teamwork par excellence!

We offer a ***Creative Problem Solving Destination Imagination Night*** for your school. The presentation will be activities based for both students and parents.

## When

An evening time to be to be arranged in September, October or November

## Where

At your school in a large cafeteria, gymnasium, common area

## Why

To promote a most engaging, unique, innovative, and challenging enrichment for kids that will provide them with life long skills for learning and becoming productive citizens

## How

Contact Jill Schoonmaker (868-2140) to arrange for a date for your presentation. The number of presentations that we can accommodate will be limited, so contact us early to ensure you may be put on the schedule

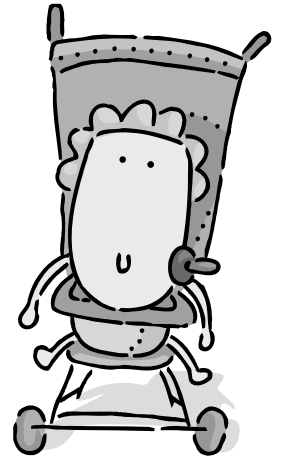
Take advantage of this unique opportunity to introduce your school to DI **or** to further promote the DI program that your school may already have.\*\*

\*\* Established DI programs can run their own Family DI Night and NH-DI will even supply the lesson plan! Interested? Give us a call at 868-2140.

# The Newbie Workshop (but NOT for Rising Stars! TMs)

## Basic Training for NEW Team Managers

- WHEN:** Saturday, October 31, 2009  
 Check-in ~ 8:15 AM      Workshop ~ 8:45 AM – 3:30 PM
- WHERE:** Newfound Regional High School, Bristol NH
- COST:** \$35.00 (After 10/23 -- \$45)
- LUNCH:** Bring a bag lunch or purchase pizza by the slice



If this is your first year with the program, this is the workshop for you, BABY!!! New Team Managers for Destination ImagiNation will enjoy a day of in-depth, hands-on training. After an opening overview, you will experience the Destination ImagiNation Program Basics while learning the essentials of the program.

This workshop is guaranteed to provide the new Team Manager with exactly what is needed to get that team working toward a creative Challenge solution.

Resource books and Instant Challenge materials will be available for purchase at this training! You will **WANT** these books! Bring \$\$\$, PO's or your favorite credit card! Other NH-DI necessities will also be on hand for purchase.

**Newbies:** Please bring a copy of *Rules of the Road*, if possible!

**Reminder:** This is not a workshop for Rising Star! TMs – your workshop is on November 21<sup>st</sup>!

### **TWO WAYS TO REGISTER**

1. ONLINE: Go to <http://www.nh-di.org/online> to sign up for this workshop EASY!!!
2. EMAIL: Send your contact and school information with a PO #, check # or Visa/MC info to [jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org](mailto:jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org)

**REGISTER EARLY:** Registrations received online or by email by October 23 -- \$35  
 After 10/23 -- \$45 for this workshop!

**QUESTIONS???:** Call Jill – 868-2140 or Steve -- 595-3564  
 Email: [jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org](mailto:jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org) or [steve.greenwood@nh-di.org](mailto:steve.greenwood@nh-di.org)

**VISIT OUR WEB SITE:** [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org) for DI-rections

Confirmations and DI-rections will be sent to you by EMAIL

**NH-DI Presents:**

# Team Manager's Café



## *Training for New and Experienced Team Managers*

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 21, 2009 Check-in begins 8:15 AM  
Workshops ~ 8:45 AM – 3:30 PM

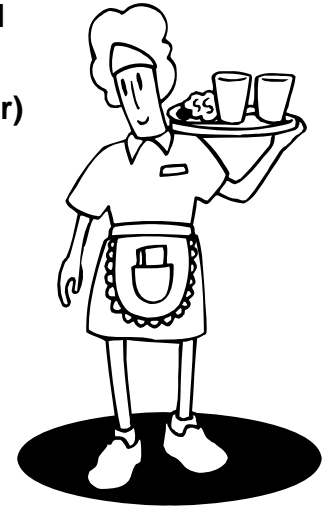
**WHERE:** SNHU (Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester)

**COST:** \$35.00 (\$45 after 11/10)

Designed for VETERANS, NEWBIES & RISING STARS! Team Managers  
Choose from a fine array of well-seasoned & superbly prepared sessions  
Bring a bag lunch or purchase lunch from SNHU.  
Buy some great books to use with your teams!

Newbies: Please bring a copy of Rules of the Road if possible!

To ensure sufficient hand-outs for all, you MUST register by Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> for this workshop!



### **TWO WAYS TO REGISTER:**

**ONLINE:** Go to <http://www.nh-di.org/online> (PREFERRED!)

**EMAIL:** Send your personal contact and school information with a PO #, check # or Visa/MC info to [jill@nh-di.org](mailto:jill@nh-di.org)

**REGISTER EARLY:** Registrations received online or email by November 10<sup>th</sup> -- \$35  
After 11/10 -- \$45

**QUESTIONS:** Call Jill ~ 868-2140 Email: [jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org](mailto:jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org)

**VISIT OUR WEB SITE:** [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org) for DI-rections.

Confirmations and DI-rections to this workshop will be sent by EMAIL

# 19 INSTANT COMBUSTION. SKILLS & IMPROV WORKSHOP FOR NH DESTINATION IMAGINATION TEAMS

## **WHAT:**

- Learn all about performance & task-based Instant Challenges from NH's BEST IC Challenge Masters.
- Improv-e your Creative Skills with an Improv workshop led by experienced DI Improv-ers
- Attend a mini-workshop in on a DI-related topic!
- TM's -- don't miss meeting with our State Challenge Masters to discuss your team's *Challenge!*
- PLUS a new 60-minute session for Rising Star! -- Instant Challenge & Other FUN Stuff

## **WHEN:**

- **Saturday, January 9, 2010** (There is NO snow date for this event!)
- Check-in begins at 9:10 AM at the Memorial Union Building (Food Court Level)
- All workshops begins promptly at 10:00 AM; ends around 1:30 PM

## **WHERE:**

- Memorial Union Building (MUB), University of NH, Durham.  
Directions: Take best route to Durham and/or go to [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org).  
Parking is free & permitted in all lots on Saturdays.



## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- All students MUST come with a Team Manager or other responsible adult.
- No charge for Team Managers or chaperones.
- Wear appropriate clothes to sit on the floor!
- Pack SNACKS! There is NO lunch break!
- Self-guided UNH Campus Tours after this event for interested students. Maps available.
- Visit the **NH-DI Concession Table** for books, Instant Challenge kits, games, DI t-shirts & other items.
- A list of great Durham lunch spots will be available for after-workshop dining! [Lots of pizza!]
- Questions? Call the NH-DI Hotline—868-2140 or email [jill@nh-di.org](mailto:jill@nh-di.org) Website; [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org)

## **REGISTER BY 1/4/10**

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## **HOW TO REGISTER:**

- Teams MUST pre-register and pay online. Space is limited! Register NOW!
- Confirmations will be emailed with additional information and directions.
- Registration MUST be received by Monday, January 4, 2010

ONLINE: Go to <http://www.nh-di.org/online> to sign up for this workshop (PREFERRED!)

EMAIL: Send your contact and school information AND the number of students coming along with your payment information – a school PO #, check # or Visa/MC info to [jill@nh-di.org](mailto:jill@nh-di.org)

REGISTER EARLY!

QUESTIONS: Call Jill ~ 868-2140 Email: [jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org](mailto:jill.schoonmaker@nh-di.org)

VISIT OUR WEB SITE: [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org) for DI-rections to UNH in Durham.

# DO YOU WANT TO HAVE FUN

## AND BE PART OF A TEAM?



### WHAT IS DI?

**DI**, which stands for **Destination ImagiNation**, is a rather unique opportunity for kids to use their creativity and work together to solve a challenge. Teams of 5 to 7 students will work on a solution to one of the five different **DI Team Challenges** (plus there's a *Rising Stars! Challenge* for younger kids – k-2!)

In March, teams will take their solutions to a regional tournament where they will showcase their creativity, see how others solved the same *Challenge*, celebrate their accomplishments and really have FUN!



### WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO?

Do you like inventing things?

Do you like drawing, painting, sculpture, etc.?

Do you like performing in any way--plays, skits, dancing, singing, etc.?

Do you like working together with other kids as part of a team?

Do you like the idea of having a chance to create something?

Do you sometimes feel like "Hey, I could come up with a better way to do that!"?

If the answer is yes to these questions, then you would enjoy **Destination ImagiNation**. **DI** is for anyone who likes to be creative in one way or another. It doesn't matter whether you get all A's in school or even high scores on tests! Anyone can participate in **DI** if they are willing to work hard with fellow teammates!

### WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE ON A DI TEAM?

You must be **COMMITTED!** **DI** will be a lot of **FUN**, but it will also take some time.

However, if you have at least one free afternoon per week or some weekend time, you probably can fit it in.

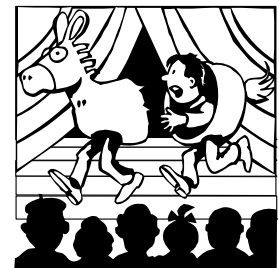
Usually **DI** meetings take place after school.

Some teams meet at school or find other space in which to work.

Some teams decide to meet in the evening or on Saturday or Sunday at kid's houses.

Below is a rough idea of the time commitment you would need to make:

- ⇒ November – January -- one meeting per week
- ⇒ February – at least two sessions per week
- ⇒ March-- the Regional is in March-- plan on lots of meetings to get ready!



Meetings are a time to work with the rest of the team on the solution of your *Challenge*.

In addition you will be working on parts of the *Challenge* at home on your own.

You **MUST** to come to all scheduled meetings!. You are part of a **TEAM** and they are depending on **YOU!**

Still sound like **FUN**? **DI** is starting at **YOUR** school, so tell your Mom or Dad that you want to find out more about **DI**, and have them email your school coordinator! Next, send Mom or Dad to a meeting about **DI!**

Meeting Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

DI Program Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Please RSVP by \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you be a good Destination ImagiNation Team Member?  
Do you like to create new things? Build or design? Paint or draw?  
Act or improvise? Write or compose? Do you look at things differently than  
others around you? Enjoy being part of a team? Looking for something cool?**

## TRY DESTINATION IMAGINATION!

Come to a meeting to find out what it all about. Bring a friend!

What you need to know before joining a Destination ImagiNation team!

### Time Line

November – teams form and choose a Challenge to work on.

December – teams meet once a week to practice problem-solving skills & teamwork.

January & February – teams meet more frequently to develop & create their solutions.

March – Regional Tournaments on either 3/6/10 or 3/13/10

Late March -- State Finals at Nashua High School North – 3/27/10

May – Global Finals University of Tennessee, Knoxville May 26 -- 30, 2010



### Time Commitment

1. During Nov, & Dec., your team will meet 1 per week after school.
2. In January, February and March, teams usually meet 2 times/week.
3. Attendance at each team meeting is MANDATORY. If you can't commit – don't join until you can!
4. Scheduling a haircut or a shopping trip is not an excuse for missing a meeting.
5. If you miss ~ unexcused meetings ~ you MAY be removed from a team. To be excused you must:
  - a) Contact your team manager before the meeting is missed
6. Additional meetings are scheduled at school or at a team member's home as tournament time nears. Everyone on the team **MUST** try their best to make each additional team meeting.

### Eligibility

1. DI is open to anyone who wishes to be on a team providing:
  - a) they can maintain good grades in their regular classes.
  - b) they must follow the rules as stated in the Rules of the Road.
  - c) they demonstrate teamwork, good sportsmanship and proper behavior.
 

Any team member that becomes a discipline problem, breaks a "DI" rule or hinders the team from solving their challenge may be asked to leave the team.
  - d) they understand that the team manager and DI coordinator have the final word in determining if a team member has met the criteria listed.
  - e) the team member and parent have both signed the DI Contract.

We want ALL team members to have a great experience in DI. DI is FUN.

### Parents

1. Parents will be invited to an informational meeting to insure they understand the goals and philosophy of the program. All parents need to understand the "Interference" rules.
2. Parents MUST help the team by providing snacks, transportation when needed, act as a resource to teach the team skills and ensure their child attends the regularly scheduled meetings.
3. Parents are NEEDED as volunteers and Appraisers to help out at the tournament.
4. Parents are EXPECTED to be a source of support and help cheer the team on.

**Interested? Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

# NH-DI CRE-8-ING THE FUTURE!



NH's Incredible Creativity Connection is an outstanding non-profit organization that has provided creative problem solving opportunities to New Hampshire's students for 29 years. We are pleased to offer Destination ImagiNation for all NH students in grades k-college.

Dear Parent:

Do you have a child who thrives on challenging activities? Does your child enjoy really baffling games and puzzles? Learning new skills? Writing or performing? Building mechanical and technical things? Working in a group? Generating lots of ideas? Or does your child need any of these tasks strengthened or enhanced?

Destination ImagiNation can give your child the opportunity to hone these skills and a rewarding outlet for his/her creativity! Join DI this year at our school!

### **So what is Destination ImagiNation?**

- ⇒ Destination ImagiNation -- part of the world's largest creative problem solving organization -- is an extracurricular, school-sponsored program that fosters creativity, team-based problem solving and life skills for students in kindergarten through college. The goal of Destination ImagiNation is to cultivate the creative problem-solving process and make it a part of a student's everyday life.
- ⇒ Teams work together to solve open-ended Challenges, using their imaginations and Creative Problem Solving Tools. Teams of up to 7 students prepare and participate in both a *Team Challenge* and *Instant Challenge* at a regional competition in March. The solution to the Team Challenge is developed over a 3-6 month period! The team designs and creates, without adult assistance, all props, costumes and other artistic and/or technical elements necessary to bring the presentation to life.
- ⇒ *Instant Challenges* are designed to teach students how to think quickly, creatively and strategically. At tournaments, the team is given an Instant Challenge they have not seen before. For example, a team may be asked to create a skit about a mouse's happiest day, make-up a story using a given set of items, manipulate materials to build a structure, or develop a non-verbal communication system with their team members in order to complete a given task. Team members have a few minutes to think and develop their strategy and a brief period of time to respond to the challenge. Both the Team Challenges and Instant Challenges provide and promote opportunities to develop life-long skills that are essential in our ever-changing world.

**What is required of a Destination ImagiNation parent?**

⇒ This program MUST have the support and help of all team parents. This program offers great benefits for kids, but parents must be willing to do their share. While adults cannot help solve the team's solution or offer ideas, parents are needed to be team managers, tournament officials and tournament volunteers. Parents must help their student get to all practice or work sessions. Parents, like team members, must make a commitment to the program. Parents are integral in making this program possible.

**What does it take to form a team?**

- ⇒ A maximum of seven students per team.
- ⇒ A parent, teacher, or dedicated supporter over 18 years of age to be a Team Manager. The Team Manager helps the students stay on schedule and gather materials and also guides them through the problem-solving process.
- ⇒ Time outside of school of approximately 2 hours/week, gradually increasing as tournament time approaches.

**Is Team Manager training available?**

⇒ Yes, absolutely! Training is ESSENTIAL for new Team Managers and sessions are offered twice each season! No special skills are required to be a Team Manager other than your willingness to work with a great group of creative kids! Each year, sadly, we have students who want to participate but can't because we just don't have enough Team Managers. Please give serious consideration to managing a team or sharing the responsibility with someone else. We can't run this program without volunteers!

**How can I get more information about the DI program?**

⇒ Visit the Destination ImagiNation homepage ([www.idodi.org](http://www.idodi.org)) and the state homepage ([www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org)). Read about the goals of the program, check out the upcoming events for kids in NH and find the previews of this year's six Challenges! Get excited!

**How do I get my child involved?**

⇒ There will be a Destination ImagiNation informational meeting

on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ to discuss forming teams!

Thank you for caring about creative problem solving and for taking an active interest in finding out more about this program that teaches these life-skills to our children.

**See you at the meeting!**

\_\_\_\_\_  
DI Program Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone



# NH DESTINATION IMAGINATION ~ 2009 — 2010

at \_\_\_\_\_ School



**Destination Imagination** is NH's premier problem-solving program and part of the world's **largest** creative problem-solving program. Students will be creating solutions to the following Challenges this year in **Destination Imagination!** Which one do YOU like?

**A: Direct Deposit** You can deliver a pizza, or the news, but can you deliver construction materials to targets you cannot see? You need to decide how to effectively deliver materials to a construction project! Your team will have to consider which choices will earn the most reward as you deliver materials over a barrier to the best targets on the site. Whatever you choose, work quickly, because the clock is ticking

**B: DI-Bot** Robots – doing our chores and serving our needs! What could be better? Robotic Technology has changed our lives and made our dreams a reality. Gaming systems, cell phones, cars and factories all use Robotic Technology. What's next? How will our lives change? You decide and use your knowledge of Robotic Technology to show us what may happen!

**C: You're Gonna Flip** A man lives only for money. Flip! After a visit by three ghosts, he discovers how to love people. That's Ebenezer Scrooge. A Kansas girl feels so unloved at home that she wants to run away. Flip! Over the rainbow, she learns to appreciate the love she has at home. That's Dorothy's story. Our understanding of the world can Flip from one view to another. Create your own Story with a Flip -- using a team-created puppet and a piece of Live Visual Art? This Challenge will make you FLIP!

**D: Do or DI!** Going... Going... Gone? A Threatened Thing is in danger of extinction, and YOU are its only hope for survival! With a Stock Character and an Unimpressive Superpower, can you save the Great Barrier Reef, the Giant Panda, or even landline telephones? But wait...do all threatened things need to be saved or is it better if some go the way of the dinosaur? You decide to Do or DI!

**E: Breaking DI News** Extra, Extra! Read all about it! DI teams make headlines building a structure that holds the most and weighs the least. Choose this Challenge and your team will reduce your props, reuse a story and recycle a newspaper all to prove that you can do more with less!

**Project OUTREACH Band Together** Are you ready to make a difference in your community? Then fuel your passion and ignite your vision! In this Challenge, you'll design and implement a community-centered Project, and you'll use music to help you effect positive change. So band together, select a community need to address, and reach out with music to change our world (open to Middle and HS Level)

**Rising Stars! Weighty News** News here, news there...news, news everywhere! A Structure has been discovered. It is made of newspaper and tape. What could it be? Why is it here? What does it look like? How strong is it? How can it be used? So many questions! Maybe if we see a newscast about it, the reporters will have some answers. Let's watch and see what's new in the news. This challenge for your youngest problem solvers is non-competitive – it's NOT scored! Rising Star! Teams bring their plays to NH-DI Regional Meets!

**NH Destination Imagination** has a long tradition of **inciting creativity!** Now, it is time to introduce **new** students to the FUN of **NH-DI** and to welcome back “veteran” participants. In an effort to explain the **NH-DI** program to students and parents unfamiliar with it, here are answers to some **frequently asked questions.**

## WHAT IS NH DESTINATION IMAGINATION?

- o **NH Destination Imagination** has been part of an internationally acclaimed problem-solving program in which students work in teams to create original, innovative solutions to the DI *Challenges* inspire our student's creative abilities. And the program's rule that stipulates that the teams must create their entire solution by themselves makes this program unique and empowers our participants. In March, all DI teams in New Hampshire present their solutions at Regional meets. Top finishers go on to the State Tournament and from there, our MOST creative teams advance to the Destination Imagination Global Finals!
- o Last year, over one million children and young adults participated in **creative problem solving** programs around the world. In NH, Destination Imagination continues to be the largest non-sports activity for students in this state.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BEING ON A DI TEAM? KIDS SAY --

- Have FUN!
- Make new friends.
- Learn to solve all kinds of problems.
- Learn that when something goes wrong, you just keep going.
- Learn to understand and appreciate the ideas, strengths, and abilities of other team members.
- Learn to manage time more efficiently.
- Learn to plan out a project and bring it to a conclusion.
- Learn to rely on themselves.
- Learn to be more organized.
- Learn how to resolve disagreements and manage conflict in a positive way.
- Learn not to give up.
- Learn to use technology, tools, and machinery safely.
- Learn that we can do more than we ever thought we could!

**WHO CAN BE IN NH-DI?**

- Any child at this school can be in **NH-DI**. Students under the age of 9 participate in a non-competitive *Rising Stars! Challenge*. Older students have a choice of five *Challenges*, which can be technical, dramatic, or a combination of things. There are no special skills required to be on an **NH-DI** team, and **ANYONE** can be on an **NH-DI** team! And **EVERY ONE** can be **CREATIVE!** There can be up to 7 students on a DI team.

**HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO JOIN A TEAM?**

- As an activity offered by the school, there is often no fee or sometimes, a small participation charge to join a team. The vast majority of materials used by students while creating their solutions are "scrounged" or found stuff, but parents are expected to share in the expenses that do occur, such as for paint or wood (or pizza!). Costs are minimal, since the whole idea of **DI** is to make something out of little or nothing. There are registration fees for teams to attend the **NH-DI** Regional meets.

**HOW MUCH TIME WILL DESTINATION IMAGINATION TAKE?**

- **Teams** start meeting once a week, but more frequently as the Regional tournament approaches. It's like a play or recital. At first, rehearsals are spread out, but the closer it gets to the actual performance date, the more often the cast meets. This is how it is in **NH-DI**; especially since the team must build its props, make its costumes, write its skit, and create EVERYTHING needed for the solution by THEMSELVES. Most students can successfully handle schoolwork, and their **DI** commitment.

**WHO MANAGES A DI TEAM?**

- Volunteers -- parents, grandparents, teachers, student interns -- willing to train and to adhere to NH-DI's central philosophy -- the kids must do it all THEMSELVES! Many teams have co-managers who share the job and ease the time commitment.
- Team Managers are NEEDED! The number of kids who can participate depends entirely on the number of Team Managers available. **NH-DI** supports NEW TMs with great training and materials to get you started. If you don't want to manage a team by yourself, we will pair you up with someone, so you can do it together! There are TWO training opportunities this Fall in NH!
- And yes, working parents make great Team Managers! You can schedule the team meetings at your convenience -- after school, in the evening or on weekends.

**HOW CAN MY CHILD JOIN NH-DI?**

- Before registering for **NH-DI**, it is very important that your child should decide if this is right program for her/him. When a child becomes part of a team, he/she makes a **commitment** to that team and is expected to follow through until the end of the DI season !
- Come to our **DI Sign-Up Meeting with your child!** Celebrate the new season of creative FUN!

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

There will an introduction to DI as well as a Q & A session. Parents will receive tons of **DI** information including important dates and a team registration form. Our team managers will be introduced and/or recruited at this gathering!

**EVERY team member's parent MUST agree to assist our school's DI program in some way!**

Questions ??? Contact your school DI Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Call \_\_\_\_\_ or Email \_\_\_\_\_

# Application Projects for NH Destination ImagiNation®



1. Chose and complete ONE of the following projects. This is part of your application to join **Destination ImagiNation**. Plan to spend two to four hours on your project.
2. Bring your project to school on \_\_\_\_\_ and take it to \_\_\_\_\_!  
Make sure your **name** is on it. **(NO EXCUSES! NO LATE PROJECTS ACCEPTED!)**
3. Don't put off doing this project until the last minute! **Your homework and other schoolwork must come first, so plan ahead to allow enough time for this creative project.**

**REMEMBER:** All the ideas and work for this project **MUST BE YOUR OWN!**  
No suggestions or help from anyone is allowed. Your project should reflect **your** creativity.  
Don't let your parents, brothers or sisters give you any ideas or help. Just tell them:  
**“Thanks, BUT I can do it all myself!”**

★ CHOOSE ONLY ONE! ★ 1 ★ CHOOSE ONLY ONE! ★ 1 ★ CHOOSE ONLY ONE! ★ 1 ★ CHOOSE ONLY ONE! ★

## PROJECT 1: A Invention for Rover

- Design and draw a detailed, multi-step, humorous gadget to exercise your dog on a rainy day. Make it poster-sized and include an explanation of each step, and then, actually build a working model of one part of your invention! What will they think of next?

## PROJECT 2: Plan the BIG party

- Your pet DI-nosaur's birthday is next week! You have just enough time to plan the party! You will need invitations, a guest list, a shopping list for food, a recipe for a DI-licious party-food, party favors and special hats, a schedule for the games and activities for this BIG event, and so much more! You had better get busy! What's Dino's favorite color?

## PROJECT 3: Make A Puppet

- Research the origins of puppets. Chose a type of puppet that is NEW to you and that interests you and create one of your own using materials that are already in your house. Give your puppet a name and teach it to show emotions like joy, sadness, fear, etc.! Can you make a short video of your puppet acting?

## PROJECT 4: A Chair Fit for a King

- The King has ordered a new throne – a real one-of-a-kind throne! You must design this special throne with LOTS of special features that will surprise him royally! Make a careful drawing of the NEW throne, so all the special features/details are shown and described each one. Additionally, you will need to create a plaque for the throne bearing his title KING. (Note: the KING loves sparkles!)

## PROJECT 5: Air Mail

- How far can you send a standard business envelope (mail)? Your challenge is to build a catapult-type device that will send a regular business envelope at least 8 feet through the air – yup, air mail! Oh, by the way, postage is now 44 cents – so please put those pennies in the envelope and seal it well before you send it! (Yes, you can reconfigure the envelope!)

**PROJECT 6: A miniature *Golf Course***

- Miniature golf is fun because of the obstacles that you encounter. Your challenge is to build a “real” 5 hole mini-golf course for NHICC (pronounced Nick), the NH-DI Gnome. He is about 5 inches tall! Include plenty of interesting “hazards” to make this course FUN for NHICC to play. And don’t forget that NHICC needs a putter and a golf ball as well! This should keep you busy FORE a while!

**PROJECT 7: *An Out-of-the-Box Box Project***

- Find yourself a big box! Next, apply creativity and imagination, color and some unusual materials and turn your box into a spectacular costume! Either submit a photograph of you modeling your box-creation or submit your box-costume as your application project!

**PROJECT 8: *Paper-mania***

- Paper is a marvelous material -- it is easy find, comes in a variety of textures and weights and can be used to create amazing and impressive stuff. Do some research on using paper to make jewelry, hats, shoes, and containers. Your challenge is to make 3 creative items that are attractive and durable and made out of paper! (Yes, you may use a few additional materials too!)

**PROJECT 9: *A Song about \_\_\_\_\_***

- This project is FUN and simple! Find a topic and write a song about it! You may chose to create a parody by re-lyric-ing a familiar tune OR create your own music and words! And there should be at least three verses to your song. You’ll need to submit a copy of your song as well as a recording of your work. It is permissible to ask one or more friends help you sing it.

**PROJECT 10: *Write an Instant Challenge (or TWO!)***

- Collect any 8 items (for example: 6” masking tape, 4 paper cups, 3 etc.) and use your creativity to write an Instant Challenge using those items as the “materials” for the solution! Then, package up with those materials along with your ORIGINAL IC and give it to your DI Coordinator to share with other teams!

**PLEASE REMEMBER!**

Your application project will not be judged or evaluated in any way.

Do your best and remember to HAVE FUN being creative!

Don't worry if it doesn't come out quite the way you wanted it to -- That's OK!



**GOOD LUCK!!!**

**HAVE FUN!!!**

**(And don't let anyone help you!)**

**TURN IN THIS PROJECT ON TIME!!!**

# NH Destination ImagiNation™

## 2009—2010 STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM



This form is for the School's DI Coordinator! Please return this form to your school by \_\_\_\_\_ **DestinationImagiNation™**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom/Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Room \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age as of 6/15/10 \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

Family Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Getting To Know You:** Please check the area(s) in which you feel you have ability & could contribute to a team.  
FYI --Teams need members with many different skills and abilities.

<input type="checkbox"/> acting	<input type="checkbox"/> script writing	<input type="checkbox"/> prop construction	<input type="checkbox"/> song writing
<input type="checkbox"/> painting	<input type="checkbox"/> artwork	<input type="checkbox"/> organization	<input type="checkbox"/> dance
<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> ideas	<input type="checkbox"/> mechanical wizardry	<input type="checkbox"/> brainstorming
<input type="checkbox"/> building	<input type="checkbox"/> other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> other _____	

**Team Challenge Preference:** Please indicate your choice of Challenge--1 for your first choice, 2 for your second choice, etc. **Do not select just one!** If you do, we assume that **any** other challenge will be acceptable. (Note: *The Rising Stars! Challenge is for the littles ONLY!*)

**A: Direct Deposit** You can deliver a pizza or the news, but can you deliver construction materials to targets you cannot see?. You need to decide how to effectively deliver materials to a construction project! Your team will have to consider which choices will earn the most reward as you deliver materials over a barrier to the best targets on the site. Whatever you choose, work quickly, because the clock is ticking

**B: DI-Bot** Robots – doing our chores and serving our needs! What could be better? Robotic Technology has changed our lives and made our dreams a reality. Gaming systems, cell phones, cars and factories all use Robotic Technology. What's next? How will our lives change? You decide and use your knowledge of Robotic Technology to show us what may happen!

**C: You're Gonna Flip** A man lives only for money. Flip! After a visit by three ghosts, he discovers how to love people. That's Ebenezer Scrooge. A Kansas girl feels so unloved at home that she wants to run away. Flip! Over the rainbow, she learns to appreciate the love she has at home. That's Dorothy's story. Our understanding of the world can Flip from one view to another. Create your own Story with a Flip -- using a team-created puppet and a piece of Live Visual Art? This Challenge will make you FLIP!

**D: Do or DI!** Going... Going... Gone? A Threatened Thing is in danger of extinction, and YOU are its only hope for survival! With a Stock Character and an Unimpressive Superpower, can you save the Great Barrier Reef, the Giant Panda, or even landline telephones? But wait...do all threatened things need to be saved or is it better if some go the way of the dinosaur? You decide to Do or DI!

**E: Breaking DI News** Extra, Extra! Read all about it! DI teams make headlines building a structure that holds the most and weighs the least. Choose this Challenge and your team will reduce your props, reuse a story and recycle a newspaper all to prove that you can do more with less!

**Project OUTREACH Band Together** Are you ready to make a difference in your community? Then fuel your passion and ignite your vision! In this Challenge, you'll design and implement a community-centered Project, and you'll use music to help you effect positive change. So band together, select a community need to address, and reach out with music to change our world (open to Middle and HS Level)

**Rising Stars! Weighty News** News here, news there...news, news everywhere! A Structure has been discovered. It is made of newspaper and tape. What could it be? Why is it here? What does it look like? How strong is it? How can it be used? So many questions! Maybe if we see a newscast about it, the reporters will have some answers. Let's watch and see what's new in the news. This challenge for your youngest problem solvers is non-competitive – it's NOT scored! Rising Star! Teams bring their plays to NH-DI Regional Meets!

### KEY TO LEVELS

Destination ImagiNation has instituted the following policy to determine levels:

**RISING STARS!** in K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade or generally less than 9 years of age (this is not set in stone in NH)

**ELEMENTARY:** in K-5<sup>th</sup> grade or no student reaching age 12 by 6/15/10

**MIDDLE:** in 6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> grade or no student reaching age 15 by 6/15/10

**SECONDARY:** in 9<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grade \*\*\*or no student reaching age 19\*\* by 6/15/10

**The Level in which a team performs is determined by the highest grade level or by who is the oldest member on that team. Each team chooses either grade or age to determine their appropriate level for competition.**

\*\*\* High School Students who are 19 may participate on a team with permission from NH-DI. Just call 868-2140.

**Meeting Preferences:** Meetings are organized by the Team Managers at their convenience. We need to know if there are any days or times when you **absolutely cannot meet**. List days and times of your conflicting activities.

**Special Requests:** Because of transportation difficulties or other reasons, you might need to be with ONE friend or adult. If you have a special request, please list it here. **We will try to honor requests, BUT we cannot guarantee it.**

**PARENT SECTION:**

**Our Parent Volunteer Policy:** It is a necessary requirement that EVERY parent will support our Destination ImagiNation (DI) program by donating TIME in some way. You MUST agree to assist in one or more of the following ways!

FYI: The number of teams that can be formed in our school is only limited by one factor -- the number of adults that are available to manage the teams. Please consider being a Destination ImagiNation Team Manager this year – training & materials will be provided. **Pick ONE!**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I would be willing to be a Team Manager for a Destination ImagiNation (DI) team.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I would be willing to co-manage a team with \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will be an Appraiser at a tournament. I understand I MUST train in Jan. or Feb. to do this.  
(Do not appraise at your child’s Meet – you will NOT see them perform!)

If you cannot facilitate a team, please indicate how else you will help your child’s team manager and team by checking off any **TWO** other supporting roles. Help ensure this educational and enriching activity for our students. **Pick TWO!**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I would be willing to provide space for the team to hold their meetings, build props or store materials.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I want to be a parent Go-fer -- picking up supplies, helping with transportation, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to be “an extra pair of hands” to help the team managers with a few meetings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will be willing to help the team locate resources for information, research and/or supplies.
- \_\_\_\_\_ At the Regional Tournament, I will volunteer to be the 2-hour volunteer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am also willing to \_\_\_\_\_

- \* I have read the Destination ImagiNation description and understand the time requirements.
- \* I understand how important it is that my child attend the regular weekly meeting.
- \* I understand that I am responsible for my child's transportation after school hours.
- \* I understand that team managers are volunteering their time & should not have to bear all financial costs as well.
- \* I verify that my child's birth date as recorded on the front of this form is accurate.
- \* I give permission for my child to participate in this Destination ImagiNation program.

• **Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Have a relative, friend or co-worker who might enjoy being your team’s Appraiser? Sign them up below!!

Appraiser’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Destination ImagiNation PARTICIPANT SECTION: Last, But Not Least . . . It's YOUR Turn!**

**Our Participation Policy:** Please read the following statements and sign below.

- \* I have read the Destination ImagiNation description and understand the time requirement and commitment. I understand how important it is to attend the regular weekly meeting.
- \* I understand that if I drop out of DI after my team starts working on the problem, my team cannot replace me.
- \* I understand that my behavior at DI meetings is the same as is expected at school, no matter where the meeting is held.
- \* I understand that my team managers are volunteering their time so that I can learn new things, and that if I am behaving inappropriately, they can remove me from the meeting or from the team.



• **Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## DI PARENT – STUDENT CONTRACT

\_\_\_\_\_ has been selected as a member of a Destination ImagiNation team. In order to insure that parents and students understand the responsibility and commitment needed by each DI member, please take the time to read and sign this contract.

### STUDENT CONTRACT

Students, please write "yes" or "no" in front of each item.

\_\_\_\_\_ I realize that no DI challenge has only one solution, and that in a successful team, we cooperate by considering EVERYONES' solution. I will not criticize anyone's ideas.

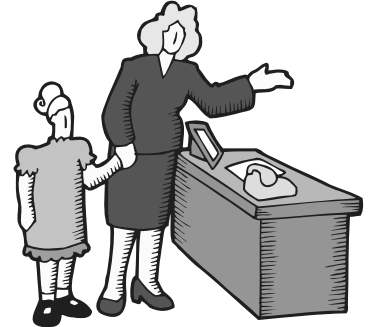
\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that my behavior at meetings will be constructive.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that each DI team meeting is valuable and will attend each meeting as best as I can. If a conflict arises, I will notify my Team Manager in advance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to cooperate on the solution the team chooses, even if it's not my first choice.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that all solutions, including props, costumes, signs, etc. will be made only by me or members of my team. I realize that if there is any part of our solution that my team cannot complete without interference, we must redesign that part of the solution.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that the NH-DI program recognizes all teams that bring a solution to the tournaments. They are all considered successful. I agree to show other teams the utmost respect and good sportsmanship and support.



Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT CONTRACT

Parents, please write "yes" or "no" in front of each item.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree, in the proper spirit of DI, not to interfere with the team's solutions. All creations, inventions, decorations, ideas, must come from the team members.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to make every effort to have my child attend each meeting. If there is a conflict, my child or I will notify the Team Manager. I understand they have a commitment to their team.

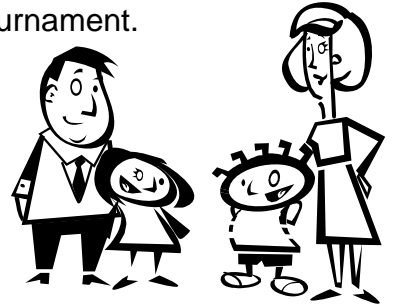
\_\_\_\_\_ I realize that my child's manager will be contributing a significant amount of time and effort to provide a rewarding experience. I will try to be cooperative and helpful as possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand the DI philosophy. DI doesn't measure a team's success with scores but through the learning experience and accomplishments of the team members solving their own problems. I promise to help my child concentrate on having a positive experience.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# How Can Parents “Help” with DI?

1. Be a team manager or co-manage a team with another adult.
2. Be an instant challenge coach for your child’s team.
3. Be a volunteer appraiser to represent your child’s team at another tournament.
4. Help find an appraiser for your child’s team.
5. Help the team by not scheduling appointments or activities for your child when team meetings are scheduled.
6. Assist the team manager at meetings to help keep the team on task.
7. Help find resource people to teach the team new skills ~ i.e. painting, sewing, mechanical design, carpentry, make up application, stage techniques, etc.
8. Come ½ hour early to pick up your child from meetings and help with clean up.
9. Be an audience for practice sessions and cheer the team on. (no suggestions though)
10. Help find places for the team to practice.
11. Provide times and places for parts of the team to work and practice.
12. Read and check the rules to be sure the team is following all of them...even the small ones.
13. Help the team send for clarifications or download new ones from the DI website.  
([www.idodi.org](http://www.idodi.org))
14. Provide transportation for team members to and from meetings, practices, and shopping trips.
15. Provide treats and nutritious snacks for the meetings.
16. Pick up team requested materials.
17. Play instant challenge games with your child at home.
18. Help transport props and costumes to the tournament.
19. Encourage and support the team and team managers.
20. Help the team with PR to the newspaper, school administrators, or local community.
21. Provide cakes for the cake walk at a tournament.





**DestinationImagiNation™**

The most important course in education.

# Become a DI Team Sponsor Adopt a Team!

Show your support for the fastest growing educational program for kids in the state.

Adopt a NH Destination ImagiNation team in your community.

When kids learn how to think creatively, solve problems, budget time and money, AND work together . . . . .

**WE ALL WIN!**

Invest in the FUTURE.

Adopt a NH-DI team today and start having fun watching the future grow.

**Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Basic Sponsorship

Team Expenses from beginning to end!

- ◆ Tournament Registration Fee \$100
- ◆ Team T-Shirts (add your logo?) \$ 90
- ◆ 1 Team Manager Training Day \$ 35
- ◆ Team Materials \$ 85
- ◆ End of the Year Pizza Party \$ 40

**Total: \$350.00**

## Super Sponsorship

Really get involved with your team!

- ◆ Attend the tournament and cheer them on!
- ◆ Volunteer & train to be this team's required Official – sign up to appraise!
- ◆ Be a 2-hour Volunteer on Tournament day.

Your \$350.00 tax-deductible contribution positively impacts the lives & the future of this team! Thank you!

## Get Media Coverage for your Program

To: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number : \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Creativity Takes Center Stage

Students at the \_\_\_\_\_ School are currently forming teams for the 2010 Destination ImagiNation Program. Destination ImagiNation® (“DI”) is a program that teaches students great skills – teamwork, creative problem-solving, out-of-the-box thinking, the art of negotiation and compromise and strategic life skills,” explains (Name), (local title). “Team members also deal with different personalities, deadlines, rules, budget constraints and peer pressure.” In short, it gives them a fun but meaningful real-life experience.

This is the schools \_\_\_\_\_ year participating in the program. Last year, \_\_\_\_\_ teams participated at the Regional Tournament held at \_\_\_\_\_. [Add if any went on to states or Global Finals]

Participation in Destination ImagiNation’s® Team Challenge program is challenging and fun. The team will choose one of five creative challenges released by the International headquarters located in Glassboro, New Jersey. They will spend several months developing a solution, which they will present at local and regional tournaments. Teams that make it to the International Global Finals held each year at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN have the opportunity to share their creative solutions with students from all over the United States and 40 foreign countries.

[Add any information here about specific students, meeting places, information nights, etc. – always list time, date, place, a short sentence about the event, directions if needed, and a phone or web address for contact.]

[You may want to add a synopsis on this year’s challenges]

Adult volunteers are needed to help organize local events and facilitate team participation. Each team also needs to supply one volunteer to train as an official for the tournament. If you are interested in representing a team and also having a front row seat on the most creative show in town, please contact

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

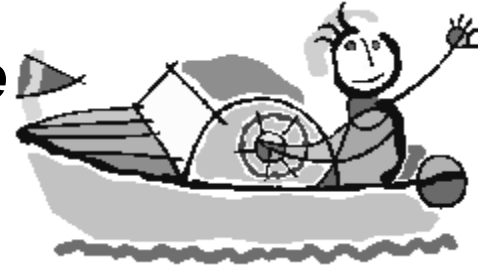
Visit [www.destinationimagination.org](http://www.destinationimagination.org). or [www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org) for more information.

# NHICC CREATIVITY CAMP

SUMMER 2010

## **Camp Gottalikachallenge-Nite**

..... *it's what's for summer!*



- WHAT?** H It's totally **WOW** and thoroughly **ZANY!**  
Six-days of **OVERNIGHT Camp Gottalikachallenge** brought to you by **NHICC (New Hampshire's Incredible Creativity Connection)**! Unparalleled creative FUN from dawn to dusk and beyond . . . . .
- ◆ Float away!
  - ◆ Play with your food
  - ◆ Join Nature's Theater!
  - ◆ Try some brain-boggling activities
  - ◆ And swimming, hiking, sports, games and more!
- WHEN?** H August 8 -- 13 ~ Two NH sites presently under consideration!  
&
- WHERE?** H August 15 -- 20 ~ Brewster Academy, Wolfeboro, NH ([www.brewsteracademy.org](http://www.brewsteracademy.org))
- WHO?** H ANY CHILD entering 5th through 9th grade who likes to have F-U-N!  
NO prior experience with NH-DI or creative problem solving needed!  
Requirements for Campers: Enthusiasm for group activities, curiosity, a sense of humor and enjoyment of problem solving.  
CG-N provides campers with a caring and creative environment.  
Gotta Campers are expected to treat one another with respect, to approach activities with an open mind and to contribute in a positive way to the camp experience.  
CG-N reserves the right to dismiss any camper for inappropriate behavior or failure to conduct themselves in a cooperative fashion.
- STAFF?** H Our Gotta Camp creativity staff includes a Director, experienced coaches/counselor and assistants/junior counselors. Most adult staff have degrees in education and/or extensive experience with *Destination ImagiNation* and are skilled in directing creative problem solving activities. Each staff member has special skills or talents to share with the campers and also plans unique games and activities to play with our campers – hmm!
- COST?** H The total cost per child for the overnight session is **\$525** (\$575 after 6/15/10).  
The camp fee includes three meals per day, all activities, project materials, a camp T-shirt, and priceless memories!
- H A **non-refundable deposit of \$125** must accompany the completed registration form and be returned by **ASAP**. The balance is due on or before **July 1, 2010**.
- H **Late registrations WILL be taken if space is available.**
- H A confirmation packet will be sent in June that will include a packing list, health forms, a schedule, a map to your site and additional information about activities and what to bring to **Camp Gottalikachallenge-Nite**.
- MORE?** H For information, call the **Gotta HOTLINE:** 1-603-868-2140 or email: [jill@nh-di.org](mailto:jill@nh-di.org)

24 Mill Road  
Durham, NH 03824

H Return form to: Camp Gottalikachallenge-Nite -- 24 Mill Road – Durham, NH 03824  
SUMMER 2010

### Camp Gottalikachallenge-Nite REGISTRATION FORM

8-13~Lovely NH Site!

August 15-20~Brewster Academy

**I. CAMPER INFORMATION:** Use a separate form for each applicant.  GIRL  BOY AGE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE IN SEPT. 2010: \_\_\_\_\_

Number and Street

City State Zip PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ We WILL send Camp Information by email.

#### II. GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

A. Since most of our activities require team participation, please check the area(s) in which you feel you have ability/skill and could contribute to the team OR just tell us what you like to do!

\_\_\_\_ acting      \_\_\_\_ script writing      \_\_\_\_ prop construction      \_\_\_\_ music  
\_\_\_\_ artwork      \_\_\_\_ mechanical wizardry      \_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

B. Have you ever spent 5 days away from home or at an overnight camp? \_\_\_\_\_ Did you have fun? \_\_\_\_\_  
Tell us: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Creative Problem Solving Experience (Gottalikachallenge, Destination ImagiNation, etc.):

Gotta-Nite Camp       School       Not Yet!

III. T-SHIRT SIZE:  Youth L     Youth XL     Adult M     Adult L     Adult XL    \_\_\_\_ Other

IV. PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION: Camper resides with:  Both parents     Mother     Father

FATHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYTIME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYTIME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

V. PHYSICAL/HEALTH CONCERNS: Does your child have any physical conditions or health issues (i.e. asthma, hearing impairment, etc.) , require special services during the school year or are there any concerns of which the staff should be aware? If yes, please explain briefly at this time.

NO       YES \_\_\_\_\_

**The Small Print** Your signature indicates that you have read and approved the following:

I authorize Camp Gottalikachallenge-Nite to use still and/or video photographs of my child to promote this program.

I understand that Camp Gottalikachallenge-Nite is not responsible for my child's personal property.

I understand that a camp medical form must be submitted prior to my child beginning camp, and that it will include significant health or medical information which would help the staff understand or work with my child. All campers are required to show proof of medical insurance coverage and bring a copy of their health card.

In case of cancellation before July 1, 2010, the deposit will be kept and the balance of the monies paid will be returned. After July 10, 2010, there will be no refund of tuition.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form **ASAP** to: **Gotta Camp - 24 Mill Rd - Durham, NH 03824** with a **non-refundable deposit of \$125/camper or full payment of \$525 – AFTER 6/15/10, \$575**. The balance is to be paid in full by July 1, 2010  
Late applications **WILL** always be taken if space is available.

Checks should be made payable to **Camp Gottalikachallenge**. Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Visa/MC may also be used.

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my  Master Card  Visa Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Sig: \_\_\_\_\_



## NH Destination ImagiNation

24 Mill Road ~ Durham, NH 03824  
[www.nh-di.org](http://www.nh-di.org)

Fall 2010

Dear NH-DI Scholarship Applicant,

Congratulations on your decision to attend college and to apply for our NH Destination ImagiNation scholarship. The NHICC Board of Directors plans to offer two \$500 scholarships this season to high school seniors who have participated in the NH Destination ImagiNation program.

To apply for our NH-DI scholarship, complete and mail **THE ORIGINAL AND THREE COPIES OF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- A. your NH-DI Scholarship Application
- B. one\* letter of recommendation from your Team Manager, double-spaced or hand printed and limited to one page in length
- C. one\* letter of recommendation from a school official (principal, vice-principal, instructor or advisor/counselor), double-spaced on current school stationery and limited to one page in length
- D. A "Picture of You" – tell us what your DI experience has meant to you in an individual essay, story or poem typed and double-spaced or hand printed and limited to two pages in length (see Application Form) and there are even other possible formats for submission.

\* Only one of each letter of recommendation will be considered. If more are submitted, the Scholarship Committee will arbitrarily select one of each letter, which may not offer the strongest support.

In addition to the above, mail **ONE COPY ONLY** of the following:

- A. your high school transcript showing grades and courses for the past 2 years & class rank
- B. an official copy of SAT/ACT scores from testing service or school (if not included on your transcript)

Please adhere to all guidelines when submitting your materials. Only completed applications will be considered. Faxed communications will be disqualified. The deadline for submission of applications is February 12, 2010.

The NH-DI Scholarship Review Committee looks forward to receiving your application.

Please mail all materials to:

NH-DI c/o Jill Schoonmaker 24 Mill Road Durham, NH 03824

DI-verygently yours,

**Jill**

Jill Schoonmaker



**DestinationImagiNation™**  
 The most important course in education.

Have you considered applying for the DI International Scholarships from DISC?

Go to <http://www.idodi.org/disc/> and download an application and instructions today!

### **NH DESTINATION IMAGINATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

To be eligible for an NH-DI scholarship, all materials must be submitted by **February 12, 2010**. Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.

Mail materials to: **NH-DI ~ c/o Jill Schoonmaker ~ 24 Mill Road ~ Durham, NH 03824**

#### **Section I APPLICANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ School #: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Section II NH-DI INVOLVEMENT**

Number of years participating in NH-DI \_\_\_\_\_ Currently on an NH -DI team? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or your team received a DaVinci or other similar award? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you feel this award was merited? \_\_\_\_\_

List the Challenges you worked on (continue on separate sheet, if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

List other NH-DI involvement, e.g. tournament volunteer, assistant team manager, Camp Gottalikachallenge staff, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Section III PERSONAL INFORMATION**

A. Student's School Report (Send one copy of your transcript showing courses and grades for the last 2 years)

B. GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Scale used (check one): 4 pt \_\_\_\_\_ 5 pt \_\_\_\_\_ Current class rank \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ students

C. Test Scores\*: SAT \_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_ ACT \_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_

(\*Send FOUR copies from testing service or school, if not this information is NOT on the transcript.)

D. What general field of study is planned? \_\_\_\_\_

E. What college/university do you plan to attend? List preferences, if more than one \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Section IV SUPPORTING INFORMATION** (Return With This Form by 2/12/10)

Applicants must provide (FOUR sets of everything!)

A. FOUR copies of this application form.

B. Letter of endorsement from a Team Manager -- the original and three (3) copies

C. Letter of endorsement from high school principal, vice-principal, guidance counselor or teacher -- the original and three (3) copies

D. A "Picture" of You -- Varied Formats

We want to know about YOU and about your Destination ImagiNation experience and how DI and creative problem solving has influenced your life & your outlook.

Choose 1 of the formats below to best convey this "picture".

Essay -- must be typed double-spaced or hand printed & limited to two pages.) -- the original and three (3) copies

Story -- must be typed double-spaced or hand printed & limited to two pages.) -- the original and three (3) copies

Poem -- must be typed double-spaced or hand printed & limited to two pages.) -- the original and three (3) copies

Audio Tape -- original song with lyrics -- three (3) copies of lyrics and tape

Visual presentation: PowerPoint or video tape (no DI presentations, please)

All the information on this form & contained in the application package is true & correct to the best of my knowledge as evidenced by my signature.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date