

# NC Odyssey of the Mind Eastern Region

**Is Everybody Ready? It's Tournament Time!**  
**Special Thanks to Seawell Elementary School, & Chapel Hill High School  
administrators and faculty for allowing us to use their facilities for the 2011  
NCOM Eastern Region Tournament!**

This year's tournament will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2010 at the Seawell Elementary and Chapel Hill High School complex. These schools and the Carrboro Chapel Hill Public School System have been very gracious with their hospitality. Please show your gratitude by helping keep the entire Chapel Hill / Seawell campus clean.

## **Your Team's Schedule:**

Your team's schedule is online! Follow this link to get to the NCOM Eastern Region Tournament Schedule and find your school: <http://www.ncome.org>

## **Tournament Schedule**

Team check-in will be in Chapel Hill High School's cafeteria lobby (Bldg B) from 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Long-Term and Spontaneous competitions will run from 7:50 AM to 4:35 PM. The information booth in both schools will remain open all day for information, forms, and lost and found. Souvenir Sales and food concessions will take place throughout the day in the High School cafeteria commons area. **The award ceremonies will be held at 5:30 PM.**

## **How to Get There**

A map to Chapel Hill High School and/or Seawell Elementary School can be found by following the link at <http://www.ncome.org> or <http://www.mapquest.com>.

## **When Should You Arrive?**

Teams must check in at the registration desk in the **Chapel Hill High School cafeteria lobby** prior to competing. Please plan to arrive in plenty of time to check-in, locate sites, and make preparations for competition. We recommend arrival at least 1 hour before your scheduled performance or spontaneous time. With the permission of the Head Judge, sites may be available to be briefly previewed before competition begins. If doors are closed at any competition site, the room may not be entered.

## **Meals and Deals**

To benefit the Chapel Hill HSI Orchestra, food, snacks & drinks will be available in the CHHS cafeteria lobby. Please patronize this group! Odyssey of the Mind products, pins, shirts, and souvenirs will also be on sale in the CHHS cafeteria lobby.

## **Parking**

There is plenty of parking on the Chapel Hill HS Parking lot complex! Extremely limited space is available at Seawell Elementary School. Please use the school map (check [www.ncome.org](http://www.ncome.org)) to locate your team's performance area. Props should be dropped off **NO EARLIER** than one hour before performance time. Once you have dropped off your things at the unloading zone, please **MOVE** your vehicle immediately to the high school parking lot. Do not leave unattended vehicles in the unloading zone. Parking is permitted on paved areas only!

## Name Tags

Teams and coaches are required to wear name tags during the tournament day with the exception of during your long term performance. Tags will be provided in the registration packets that will be distributed at the registration desk. If teams prefer to make their own tags they must include: name, school, problem and division.

## What Should Your Team Bring?

- 3 completed copies of the Style Form.
- 1 completed copy of the Cost Form
- 1 signed and completed copy of the Outside Assistance Form
- Any Problem Clarifications the team has received
- 4 copies of any list (if required by the team's problem)
- Any items listed in the team's problem under the section "Team Must Provide"
- All props, costumes, backdrops, and A/V equipment
- Money for food, T-shirts, pins, hats, etc.
- Change of clothes
- Books or quiet games to play
- Appropriate footwear, soft soled shoes for the gym floors (tennis or athletic shoes)
- Frisbees, balls, etc. for outdoor fun
- Two pairs of safety goggles (for structure teams)
- Best behavior
- Maps
- Team or school banner for Parade

## Security

Please encourage your students and parents to leave valuables, props, and problem solutions locked in cars or on buses. We are not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged articles. There will be Police officers on campus.

## OMER's Award

Nominations for Omer's Award for sportsmanship, behavior or talent will be accepted during the tournament at the information desks. Forms will be available there. Read about OMER's award in your program guide. Completed forms for nominations are to be turned into the information desks by 3:00 PM for review by the Tournament Awards Committee.

## Parade of Teams

Teams from problems 1, 2 and 4 will gather at the back (South) entrance to the CHHS gymnasium. Teams from problems 3 and 5 will gather at the back entrance to the CHHS auditorium. Start lining up around 5:00 to 5:15 PM. Teams will receive a parade order number in your tournament packet. Line up according to that number. We will then parade into the venue(s) for the Awards Ceremony. Schools/groups will be announced as they enter. Please bring a banner (no larger than 2' by 4') for your school/group to carry in the parade. The grand entry of the teams with banners waving is definitely a Kodak moment!

## Award Ceremony (Note: Primary teams have their own award ceremonies earlier in the day)

We will have TWO simultaneous awards ceremonies. We will use the HS Main Gym and the HS Auditorium. We will begin as close to 5:30 as possible. Please make parents and supporters aware of this schedule and let them know that there is plenty of seating available. The ceremony for problems 1, 2, & 4 will be in the HS Main Gymnasium. Problems 3 & 5 will have their ceremony in the HS Auditorium. **If we are running late, please be patient and understand that we want to be as fair and thorough in judging and scoring the last team as we are with the first team. When the doors open, parents and supporters should enter and sit in the bleachers in the gym or on the sides and upstairs balcony in the auditorium. Teams and coaches will parade in and sit on the floor in the gym or in the center section seats in the auditorium.**

## Questions?

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