

Parent Contract

Odyssey of the Mind™ teams and coaches need a supportive and encouraging environment as they work toward a solution of the long term problem and prepare for the Regional Meet. To show my support for my child's team and coach(es):

I agree not to interfere with or disrupt the team's operations. In the proper spirit of Odyssey of the Mind competition, I agree not to assist with the actual development or construction of the team's long term problem solution. **I understand "Outside Assistance"** and acknowledge that all ideas, creations, inventions, decorations, and handiwork must be the team members' own.

I understand that Odyssey of the Mind **is a long term commitment** and I will ensure that my child attends and participates at each team meeting. If there is a conflict, I will ensure that the coach is notified (in advance if at all possible).

I agree to support the Spirit of Odyssey of the Mind, including good sportsmanship, team cooperation, and proper behavior toward others and in all situations.

I agree to assist and support the coach in creating an environment where my child's team can do their best. I understand that this may include helping at a meeting, providing transportation, providing and supervising Spontaneous practice problems, providing team snacks, and helping at the Regional Meet.

I agree to remember that all teams, including my child's, have worked hard to do their best and are proud of their accomplishments. I will encourage creativity, perseverance, teamwork, and divergent thinking. **I will remember that all Odyssey of the Mind teams are winners.**

I agree to discuss all items on this contract with my child.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____