



## Buccaneer Bay Region Florida Odyssey of the Mind 2021 - 2022



October 2021

Dear Odyssey of the Mind Membership Coordinator,

Welcome and thank you for all you do for the children of the Buccaneer Bay Region. On behalf of the entire Regional Board, good luck to all teams! This may be the most important information we give to you this year, so please take the time to read all pages carefully, make the appropriate copies, and distribute them to EVERYONE who needs to know this information.

Included, please find:

1. **Calendar of Events** - an overview of all due dates and coaching responsibilities.
2. **Registering Your School for a Membership** (<https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/join/>)
  - a. \$135 (1st Membership and discounts for multiple)
  - b. A Single Membership will allow for one team per problem (per division for schools that are K-8, K-12, 6-12, or community groups) plus unlimited Primary teams.
  - c. Creative Competitions, Inc. (CCI) 406 Ganttown Road, Sewell, NJ 08080
3. **Registering a Team for Regional Tournament** (<https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/member-resources/>) All teams must register online by December 15<sup>th</sup> to avoid a \$20/team late registration charge.
  - a. **Each team** is required to obtain:
    - i. **One judge** for the regional competition. This person agrees to attend judge's training (**January 29, 2022**) and to judge at the regional competition (**February 12, 2022**) both at **Plant City High School, One Raider Place, Plant City**. **We must have judge's personal address and phone numbers.**
    - ii. **One worker** (adult) to "work" a two-hour shift on the day of competition or setup the evening before. Workers monitor doors, keep time, run errands, and otherwise help us make sure the regional tournament is successful. We will make sure a worker is not scheduled at the same time his or her team is competing. **Workers less than 18 years of age (16 or 17) must be pre-approved by the regional director BEFORE registering the worker online. We must have volunteer worker's personal address and phone numbers.**
    - iii. To find the PowerPoint Presentation to Details on this registration are located on our regional site.
    - iv. Each team is composed of five to seven members in certain age divisions. Check the Odyssey of the Mind Program Guide for grade level cutoffs to make sure you've registered in the correct division. Remember the highest grade of a team determines the division. The roster is part of the team's online registration which **must be completed by December 15th to avoid \$20 late fee**. The names listed online will be compared to the team's "Outside Assistance" form submitted at each level of competition.
      - **\*\*NOTE: Paying for the team's registration LOCKS the roster, so make sure it is correct before submitting payment. After payment, I am the only one who can add team members. Necessary information needed to:**
  - v. **Register your team:**
    - Member Number
    - Long Term Problem
    - Division #
    - Coach names & info (including cell# and email address)
    - Team member's names, grades and school attending (no more than 7)
    - Team Member Scheduling Conflicts
    - Coach Scheduling Conflicts
    - Additional Requirements (*include medical info if we need to know...e.g. peanut allergy, etc.*)
    - When complete – select "**Save Registration**"

i. **Register your Judge:**

- Judge name, home address, cell phone#, email address, T-shirt size, age, HS graduate, former team member of OM, ever judged for OM, what problem would judge prefer this year, affiliated with any team, past OM experience, other information. If a large membership has difficulty securing enough

judges, the coordinator may request that ONE judge be a junior or senior in high school, but this must be approved by the regional director prior to registering the judge. Judges are committed to one area the whole day of competition and can't leave to see their own child compete in another problem, so teachers, guidance counselors, and administrators make good prospects for judges.

Judges are the heart of a quality tournament. For us to ensure a successful experience for the participants,

- ALL judges must commit to and attend the training (**01/29/22**)
- \$100 fine and may receive 25-point spirit of the problem penalty should you not provide a judge. Judge by e-mail of his/her assignment.

ii. **Register your Worker:**

- Worker name, home address, cell phone#, email address, age, HS graduate, former team member of OM, what assignment would worker prefer this year, affiliated with any team, past OM experience, other information.

iii. **Registration Fees:** charged at time of online registration:

- **Team Registration Fee:** \$150/divisional team or \$70/primary team. **NOTE:** both include \$50 regional fee which helps pay for regional site and regional supplies.
  - December 15th LATE FEE:** all teams paid after this date, will incur a \$20/team late fee. It is vital for scheduling purposes to pay by this date.
  - 12/15/21 FINAL REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** No more registrations will be allowed after this date.

4. **High School Senior/College Alumni Scholarship** - Any graduating senior or someone attending college who has participated in the Odyssey of the Mind program for a minimum of two years can apply for this scholarship. The scholarship(s) will be awarded at the regional tournament. **Deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>.**

If you're feeling a bit overwhelmed, please call or email me with any questions or concerns you may have. Please note that I am using the email address, [BucBayOotM@gmail.com](mailto:BucBayOotM@gmail.com) for most correspondence so be sure you allow this email (sometimes check your SPAM folder). Also, please one of our coach trainings, even if you're an experienced coach. We will be there to offer support and assistance. I look forward to seeing you at trainings, workshops, meetings, and of course, for the **Regional Tournament on February 12, 2022 at Plant City High School (Plant City)**. Until then, good luck!

On behalf of the entire Buccaneer Bay Regional Board,



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"Our greatest national resource is the minds of our children." - Walt Disney



## More Very Important Stuff



- Each team is required to provide one worker and one judge. If you provide more than one judge or worker per team, that's very helpful for the region, **BUT PLEASE DON'T** register multiple judges and/or workers with the idea that the extra adults are "back up" or "just in case" the required adult doesn't show up. We train, schedule, and rely on the extras the same as the required. Therefore, **ALL WORKERS AND JUDGES WHO ARE REGISTERED AND SCHEDULED ARE EXPECTED TO FULFILL THEIR OBLIGATION OR THE TEAM WILL BE PENALIZED.**
- PLEASE keep judges informed and reminded of the training and tournament dates. DO NOT just sign up people with the intention of finding a "real" person later. It's time consuming and confusing to reorganize dozens of judges two days before training.
- Primary teams have the same obligations as all other teams: one judge, one worker, team fee, paperwork, etc. One or more primary teams will represent the Buccaneer Bay Region at the State Tournament. The team will not compete but will perform in both long term and spontaneous. The team will be chosen by random drawing from interested teams at the regional tournament awards ceremony.
- Please be sure to supply current e-mail addresses for all judges, coaches, and workers whenever possible. Most notifications will be issued by e-mail. If you give an e-mail address, please be sure to actually read your e-mail regularly. Thanks!
- **FORMS GO WHERE?**
  - o In order to be more efficient, we want everyone to register online. I do have forms (attached) to help you collect the information you need in order to complete the online registration, but I do not want them – they are for your purposes.

### Payment Information

It is imperative that checks be made payable to the correct organization and address.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP is \$135 and goes to:

Creative Competitions, Inc., 406 Ganttown Road, Sewell, NJ 08080

<https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/join/>

### **NOTE:**

- 1) **TEAM REGISTRATION FEE:** \$150.00/team (\$70.00/primary teams)
  - **REGIONAL TEAM FEE:** \$50/team is included in the TEAM REGISTRATION FEE.
- 2) **December 15th** is deadline. No registrations accepted after this date.

Pay all team registrations at [www.floridaodysseyofthemind.org](http://www.floridaodysseyofthemind.org) through PayPal (\$3 convenience fee) or by generating an invoice and sending a check made payable to "**FLOMA**" with the invoice to name and address on invoice.

**ADVERTISEMENT IN PROGRAM:** if you wish to place an advertisement in the program, please contact Laurie Filardo.

## Buccaneer Bay Regional Meetings and Training Dates

**NOTE:** I have indicated the county in which the training location resides. All of our memberships and teams may attend any location, regardless of the county your membership is in.

**Coach Training Sessions:**

**TBD**

**Coach Plus Training:**

**TBD**

**Style & Etc. Coach Plus Training:**

**TBD**

**Spontaneous Coach Plus Training:**

11/13/21	9AM-12PM	Dundee Elementatry (Polk County)
12/4/21	9AM-12PM	<b>TBD</b>

**Regional Judge Training:**

01/29/22	8:00AM-12:00PM	Plant City High School (Plant City)
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**Mandatory Coach Meeting:**

01/29/22	8:00AM-12:00PM	Plant City High School (Plant City)
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**Location addresses:**

**Plant City High School**

1700 Bloomingdale Avenue, Valrico, FL 33527

**Dundee Elementary School**

415 East Frederick Avenue, Dundee, FL 33838

The following forms (Team Registration, Judge & Worker) are for your use and not to be sent to me. Please use them to help you capture your team, judge and worker information.

**NOTE:** should you need to make changes after you have paid or after December 15<sup>th</sup>, you will need to contact Laurie Filardo ([BucBayOotM@Gmail.com](mailto:BucBayOotM@Gmail.com)).



**Florida Odyssey of the Mind Association, Inc.**  
**Buccaneer Bay Regional Tournament**  
**2021-2022 Online Team Registration Form**

[www.FloridaOdysseyoftheMind.org](http://www.FloridaOdysseyoftheMind.org)

- **THIS FORM STAYS WITH THE COORDINATOR/COACH.**
- Register teams by December 15.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Team info can be edited UNTIL the payment button is clicked. After that you will NOT be able to change coach or team member information.
- Please provide the **COACH'S ACTUAL INFORMATION**, NOT school or coordinator address or phone number

Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(see school coordinator/contact person for official name)

Long Term Problem Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Division: \_\_\_\_\_

**Coach # 1 Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (include area code)

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Eve: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # (only to be used on day of tournament): \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Coach # 2 Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (include area code)

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Eve: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # (only to be used on day of tournament): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Member Name	Grade	School Attending
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		

Please note the restrictions regarding adding team members and grade restrictions for divisions in the [Odyssey of the Mind Program Guide](#).

**CHANGES AFTER DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, PLEASE NOTIFY REGIONAL DIRECTOR**

**All teams must register at: <https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/member-resources/>**

All teams from the same school will have different long-term performance times.

You don't need to request it.

Scheduling conflicts will be honored **IF POSSIBLE – NO GUARANTEES.**

The following three (3) items are “boxed” questions on the team registration. They are “free text”. Please read them carefully and complete each box (or write NONE).

**1. Team Member Scheduling Conflicts:**

- A member on more than one team
- A member related to a member on a team from another school
- A member related to a coach of a team from another school
- A member who is color blind or physically handicapped in some way

**2. Coach Scheduling Conflicts:**

- Coaching more than one team
- Coach is related to a team member from another school

**3. Additional Requirements:**

- Medical issues or concerns that tournament needs to know about.
- School-wide event on day of tournament, please schedule early or late.
- Several team members have soccer tournament, please schedule early or late.

**“Suggested” Coordinator’s Checklist:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I gave the coach the important dates page.

\_\_\_\_\_ I gave the coach the training dates flyer(s) or told them where to find on the regional site.

\_\_\_\_\_ I made sure the coach has a copy of the current Odyssey Program Guide.

\_\_\_\_\_ If required by your school/organization, verified these coaches as approved volunteers on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I registered and paid for this team on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Register team(s) at: <https://www.odysseyofthemind.com/member-resources/>
2. We do accept credit cards (Visa, Discover, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, & PayPal).
  - a. Fees:
    - i. \$150/divisional team registration (includes \$50/team regional fee)
    - ii. \$70/primary team registration (includes \$50/team regional fee)
3. **DO NOT SEND REGISTRATION MONEY TO THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR.**
4. All payments must be sent to name & address on your invoice. If you cannot print out invoice, please contact the webmaster ([webmaster@floridaodyssey.org](mailto:webmaster@floridaodyssey.org)) and request assistance.
5. **ALL TEAMS MUST BE REGISTERED ONLINE & PAID BY DECEMBER 15th**
  - a. The website will be LOCKED on December 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. After that any team not FULLY AND COMPLETELY REGISTERED WILL HAVE TO PAY A \$20/TEAM LATE FEE.
  - c. **No registrations accepted after December 15<sup>th</sup>.**

# Florida Odyssey of the Mind Association, Inc. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT



**JUDGE FORM**  
Please type or print **legibly** using dark ink.  
**Region: BUCCANEER BAY**



I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ represent a team from  
(school) \_\_\_\_\_ Membership# \_\_\_\_\_  
competing in (problem name) \_\_\_\_\_, (division) \_\_\_\_\_.

I agree to attend a training session on **Saturday, January 29, 2022 (by 8:00am)**. **AND** to judge at the regional tournament when the Regional Problem Captain tells you at training until the Scorerroom Director releases you on tournament day. Tournament day is **Saturday, February 12, 2022 at Plant City High School (One Raider Place, Plant City)**. I understand that as a judge, I will see only those teams that I am judging. I will NOT be judging my own child's team, and I will NOT be able to leave my position to see any other team perform. I can be reached at:

Judge Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Phone: (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Eve: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # (only to be used on day of tournament): \_\_\_\_\_

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

My past Odyssey of the Mind experience(s) include: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a former Odyssey of the Mind team member: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

I understand that I am committing to attending one training session and to judging at the regional tournament which last a full day. I acknowledge that if I do not uphold my obligation, the team may receive a 25-point spirit of the problem penalty.

**Director's note:** Judges must commit to both the training and the tournament dates. The penalties described above will be imposed. Please complete the information on the back so that we can place judges appropriately.

**Judge Signature (Not coach)** \_\_\_\_\_

**COORDINATOR/COACH: Use this form to complete the online team registration.**

**NO CHANGES ONCE ONLINE TEAM FEE IS PAID. All changes after this, notify regional director.  
PLEASE, ALSO COMPLETE 2<sup>ND</sup> PAGE OF JUDGE FORM ----- 7**

# Florida Odyssey of the Mind Association, Inc. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT



**JUDGE FORM**  
Please type or print **legibly** using dark ink.  
**Region: BUCCANEER BAY**



Judge Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete each question as it applies to you. Circle answers or print requested information.

1.) **Have you ever judges for Odyssey of the Mind?**      Yes      No (If no, go to #5)

2.) **If Yes, when:** \_\_\_\_\_ (list all years, if known)

3.) **If Yes, what kind of judge were you?**

Spontaneous      Long-Term      Score-room      Can't Remember

4.) **If you were a long-term judge in the past, what problem did you judge most recently?**

Vehicle      Technical      Classics      Structure      Theatre

Primary      Don't know      I was not a long-term judge

5.) **As a judge this year, which would you prefer?**

Spontaneous      Long-Term      Score-room      No Preference

6.) **If you would like to be a Long-Term judge, which problem would you prefer?**

Vehicle      Technical      Classics      Structure

Theatre      Primary      No Preference

7.) **If you were a Spontaneous judge, which of the types to you prefer?**

Hands-On      Verbal Hands-On      Verbal

**Please note:** Every effort will be made to give you your preference, but there is no guarantee.

**PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THIS  
TRAINING. YOU WILL BE CONTACTED  
BY THE YOUR COACH.**

**OFFICIALS/JUDGES TRAINING WILL BE ON:**

**Saturday, January 29, 2022**

**Plant City High School**

**One Raider Place, Plant City**

**8:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. \***

***\*This is an approximate time and it could be longer or shorter. Depends on training.\****

**NO CHANGES ONCE ONLINE TEAM FEE IS PAID. All changes after this, notify regional director**



# Florida Odyssey of the Mind Association, Inc. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT



**WORKER FORM**  
Please type or print **legibly** using dark ink.  
**Region: BUCCANEER BAY**



I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ represent a team  
from (school) \_\_\_\_\_ Membership# \_\_\_\_\_  
competing in (problem name) \_\_\_\_\_, (division) \_\_\_\_\_.

I agree to work at the Buccaneer Bay Regional Tournament on **Saturday February 12, 2022**. The tournament will be at **Plant City High School, One Raider Place, Plant City** and I understand that I am required to report at the time that will be assigned to me. I may be reached at:

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Worker Personal Telephone: (Include area code)

Day (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Eve (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (only used for emergency)

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** We will not accept any SDHC email address due to issues with the Hillsborough County School District email system. So, please provide us with an alternate that you check regularly.

I would prefer to work in the following position(s): (choose 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices)

\_\_\_\_ Registration      \_\_\_\_ Sales      \_\_\_\_ Runner      \_\_\_\_ Information  
\_\_\_\_ Food      \_\_\_\_ Door Monitor      \_\_\_\_ Friday Night Setup  
\_\_\_\_ Other (Volunteer Worker Assignment "list" provided to

**Coordinator/Coach)**

- My past Odyssey of the Mind experience(s) include: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am a former Odyssey of the Mind team member:      Yes      No
- Age (circle one)      Over 18      Under 18 or still in high school  
(Regional Direct approval require BEFORE registering this worker)
- Are you related to anyone competing in Odyssey this year?      Yes      No
- If yes, in what problem is he/she competing? \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that, even though I might not receive my final official assignment until competition day, it is my responsibility to arrive at the workers' check in 10 minutes before at my designated time. I acknowledge that **if I do not uphold my obligations, the above team may receive a 25-point spirit of the problem penalty.**

Worker Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**COORDINATOR/COACH: Use this form to complete the online team registration.**

**NO CHANGES ONCE ONLINE TEAM FEE IS PAID. All changes after this, notify regional director**

## **VOLUNTEER WORKER ASSIGNMENTS**

There are many volunteer positions needed to run a smooth tournament. These positions are not always glamorous or fun, but are crucial to putting on a tournament that is fun and not frustrating for the participants and their guests. Any Worker job could be changed at any time based on the needs of the Competition at that time.

### **SALES 6:30 TO BEYOND AWARDS 2HR/SHIFTS**

You will be responsible to aide in the selling of proprietary and other items. You will be responsible for the retrieval of items displayed on the tables from boxed stock. You will NOT be responsible for the taking of any monies, there will be one person designated as the cashier. You will aide in the set-up and pack-up of items, if done during your time slot.

### **DOOR MONITOR 7:15AM TO 4:00PM 2HR/SHIFTS**

Door monitors make certain that audience members do not enter during a team's performance. They also make certain that spectators give right-of-way to teams entering and exiting, help with crowd control, answers questions outside the door (such as "which problem is this?" or "where are the restrooms?" or "is this site on schedule?")

### **TEAM REGISTRATION: 7:00AM TO 1:00PM 2HR/SHIFTS**

Give the coaches and only the coach a packet for their participation in the tournament. Have them sign for the packet, you place the time and print the name of the coach that the packet was given to on the sign-in sheet. Answer their questions to the best of your ability or refer their questions to a Board Member.

### **WORKER REGISTRATION: 6:30AM TO 4:00PM 2HR/SHIFTS**

Find the worker's assignment by school, problem, and division they are representing. Confirm the name. If different then on sheet, print new name. Have the person in front of you sign the assignment sheet. Give them a badge for them to wear when working. Place the time that they signed in. You will also give them a card which they MUST give to the Head Judge or Problem PC, when you arrive at your assigned working position.

### **INFORMATION SPECIALIST: 6:45AM TO 4:00PM 2HR/SHIFTS**

You will be stationed near the entrance to the courtyard. You will have a large map with the different Long Term Problems' event sites, where the Sales table is set-up, where Food/Drink can be purchased, where teams for Spontaneous will be checked-in, where Awards Ceremony will be held, where the bathrooms are. You will also be provided with a list of where the closes stores are, where they can picnic, where they can eat off campus, what is the best place for them to take their props. Last but not least you need to be able to explain what Odyssey of the Mind is; you will be given this also.

### **FRIDAY NIGHT SET-UP: 5:00PM TO 7:00PM**

You will be working the Friday Night before the tournament. You will be bringing and setting up tables from the parking area, boxes of supplies to the Score Room, boxes of supplies to Spontaneous, lifting and moving weights form a downstairs room to the Gym. You could be moving furniture at event sites. There is the potential of a lot of HEAVY LIFTING and moving.

### **BOB'S CREW: 2:30PM TO 4:30PM**

You will be doing a lot of HEAVY LIFTING and moving of boxes, tables, weights, from the event sites to vehicles in the parking circle and rooms in the school.

### **HOSPITALITY: 7:00AM TO 2:00PM 2HR SHIFTS**

You will be responsible for making coffee, putting sodas and bottled water on ice, sorting food items, storing food items, taking food items to sites (if necessary), and replenishing trays for serving. You may also be asked to deliver lunch trays to rooms. You will be responsible for set-up and pack-up all food items.

### **TENT CITY: 7:00AM TO 6:00PM 2HR SHIFTS**

Assignment in Stadium will ensure that teams place pop-up tents ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD in an orderly fashion, no stakes in the ground, grounds are kept clean and clutter-free. This position also directs people onto football field, away from home stands, which is where awards will be held. A large area will be located for teams to sit when awards are being held.