

2023 FAQ: Regionals vs. Affiliate (State) Tournament

Question: *Can the team change their solution/costumes/props/team choice element?*

Answer: Teams can change any element of their solution they wish.

Question: *How does the team decide what to change?*

Answer: Items that scored low at Regionals are likely to score low at the Affiliate. Team Members should decide on its own if they want to make any changes. *It would be interference for a team manager or other non-team member to make suggestions on what to change or add.*

Question: *What do I do if one or more team members cannot attend?*

Answer: This is perfectly fine and perfectly normal. The absent team member(s) is(are) still on the team, and they can still attend meetings and contribute to the solution presented at State. *Note:* You need a minimum of two team members to compete at a tournament, and you cannot add new team members after your regional performance. Further, team members that cannot attend State are still eligible to attend Globals.

Question: *Can we change roller coaster design? (Engineering)*

Answer: Teams can re-use, re-build, or re-design their engineering “structure”

Question: *Is our budget still the same? (All except Improv)*

Answer: Yes, the same dollar limit still applies.

Question: *How does the budget/expense report work?*

Answer: If you used the online expense report for your regional tournament, it has been carried forward to the affiliate tournament for the team to edit. Example: If the team no longer uses an item, it should be removed from the expenses report. Likewise, if new items are added, those expenses should be added. *The expense report should accurately represent the cost of what is presented onstage at the Affiliate.*

Question: *Will we have the same Instant Challenge?*

Answer: No, you will have a different Instant Challenge.

Question: *May we request a specific schedule?*

Answer: No, however teams traveling from afar may ask for a general time. Note: Based on the overall makeup of the tournament, not all requests can be fulfilled.

Question: *I have two teams going to state. How do I manage that?*

Answer: The tournament schedule will allow for you to manage both teams.

Question: *How does a Team Manager handle having a child on **another** team that I do **not** manage competing at the affiliate tournament?*

Answer: As you register your team, you’ll be asked about the other child’s name/info. The tournament schedule will allow for you view the other child’s team challenge.

Question: *How does a parent handle two siblings competing at the affiliate?*

Answer: As you register your team, you will be asked about the sibling pairs. The tournament schedule will allow the parent to view both team challenges.

2023 FAQ: Barberton High School and Middle School

Question: *Is there a map of the school?*

Answer: Once ready, a general color-coded map of the school buildings will be emailed to all team managers. Please print a color copy of the map for all participants.

Question: *Where do we park our vehicle?*

Answer: The color map will show where passenger vehicles, buses, towed trailers and box trucks can park. There is a \$3 parking fee, cash only.

Question: *Is Dry Ice allowed at the school?*

Answer: Dry Ice is allowed at Barberton provided that is safely handled by teams. Teams **may not** dispose of their dry ice on school grounds.

Your team MAY use dry ice, but it must be handled with gloves or tongs, and it **must be disposed of** safely in a place off the school grounds, away from the tournament. It must not be stored in a sealed container because it could cause an explosion. Your team is responsible for any damage that may occur because of the use of dry ice.

Question: *Are latex balloons allowed on school property?*

Answer: **No, latex balloons are not allowed.** Helium tanks are **not allowed** on school property. Teams that choose to bring mylar balloons must control them at any times. Teams will be financially responsible for loose balloons.

Question: *What is the policy on firearms, weapons, and violence?*

Answer: Barberton schools will follow the Destination Imagination policy as outlined in the Rules of the Road:

Destination Imagination does not endorse or support Team or Instant Challenge solutions that contain gratuitous violence and/or the gratuitous use of any violent weapons. However, in recognition of the fact that themes of war, crime, and the like can be handled by teams in responsible ways, the following guidelines are to be followed:

- a. If a team wants to depict a weapon in its Team or Instant Challenge solution, the weapon **must be team-created and obviously benign**.
- b. Paintball guns, BB guns, air rifles, and the like are NOT ALLOWED.