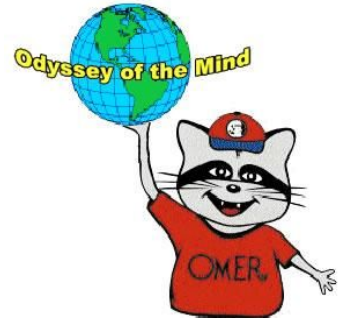


Odyssey of the Mind



What is Odyssey of the Mind? Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students. Team members apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. They then bring their solutions to competition by presenting a performance based on that solution. To learn more about the Odyssey of the Mind program, see www.odysseyofthemind.com or www.ncome.org.

Who can participate in Odyssey of the Mind? All students are eligible to participate. Students are placed on teams of up to 7 students. The number of teams Jeffreys Grove has will depend on the number of volunteer coaches.

What is the time commitment? Students attend one meeting after school every week beginning in October up until the tournament. This meeting will take place in a classroom at school and will end at 5:15. As the tournament date draws nearer, your coach will most likely also schedule weekend meetings to allow time for rehearsals and building of props.

When is the tournament? Eastern Region Primary Tournament February 22, 2020

Eastern Division I ,II, IIITournament March 7, 2020

Students **must** be available to attend the tournament in order to be placed on a team.

What is needed to make Odyssey of the Mind happen? We must have parents willing to volunteer as coaches. Several parents can work together to coach one team. Please consider volunteering as a coach. It's very rewarding to see the team develop their performance! There will be a 9am meeting on October 11th and 4pm on October 10th in the media center for parents interested in coaching.

We also need parents to provide snacks for the team and help with materials for props.

If you have questions about Odyssey of the Mind or about coaching, please contact Shae Noffsinger at shaejn@yahoo.com or 919-637-2171.

If your child is interested in participating in Odyssey of the Mind, please complete the information below and return to school with your child by **October 11..** (If you prefer, you can instead email this information to shaejn@yahoo.com)

Child's Name _____

Grade and Teacher _____

Parent Name(s) _____

Parent Email(s) _____

Parent Phone Number(s) _____

Each OM team will have one weekly meeting after school. The meeting will be on the same day each week.

Which weekdays can your child meet? _____

Are there any weekdays your child **cannot** meet after school? _____

Are you willing to coach? _____

Are you willing to assist the coach as needed? _____