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**Best of the Bay**

**Team Manager News**

## Team Manager Walk-Thru

**February 13th, 7-8pm**  
**Room: Student Center**  
**Valley Christian Schools**  
**7500 Inspiration Drive**  
**Dublin, CA 94568**

### **Walk-Thru? What is that?**

*This is your chance to see where you check-in for your main Challenge (prep appraiser area), where your team enters the room for performing, the performance area, the best place to park to unload props etc. Your challenge master will be there to answer questions. Bring a camera to take photos to share with your team.*

**Arrive by 6:50, we will start promptly at 7:00.** This event is for **TEAM MANAGERS** and **CO-MANAGERS ONLY**. We will send you an email with a campus map, please print it and bring it with you on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

## IMPORTANT: Tournament news

We are one month away from tournament day. You may be feeling like your team is far from ready, and that's probably true. But, we can assure you, most teams feel this way at this stage in the process and things will come together for your team in the next few weeks. Remind the kids to stay on task and they will amaze you with what they can accomplish.

This newsletter is dedicated to critical, early tournament information. Please share pertinent information with your team parents. The tournament schedule and tournament maps will be available on the website 10 days prior to the tournament. TMs will get an email when that information is available. **Be sure to download and read the "Travel Guide For Teams" from the DI website.** It is packed full of helpful information. Look for it in the Teams & Managers section: [www.destinationimagination.org/](http://www.destinationimagination.org/)

## Appraiser Training

**February 11, 2017**

**Murray Elementary School, Dublin**

This is an all-day training for new appraisers, or half-day for experienced appraisers.

## IMPORTANT: Tournament Parking

Please let your team parents know well in advance of tournament day – we will have very limited parking at the Valley Christian Schools site. Carpooling will be the only way to ensure you can find a spot so you can be on time for volunteer jobs and to watch performances. **Please limit cars to 3 per team – including the team manager!** Overflow parking is 1 mile away on Dublin Blvd., plan to park extra cars there and carpool or uber to the tournament site.

## Check for Challenge Clarifications

When there is an issue in a Team Challenge or the Rules of the Road that all teams should know about, DIHQ will post a Published Clarification. A Published Clarification supersedes the Rules of the Road and the Team Challenge, as well as a Team Clarification. Every team is expected to know the Published Clarifications for its Challenge. The deadline to ask for Team Clarifications is **February 15th**.

*Before your team asks a Team Clarification please read all the Rules of the Road and Published Clarifications for your Challenge.*  
<http://www.destinationimagination.org/challenge-program/clarifications>

## Is it Interference?

Parents and team managers are allowed to help carry props to the Prep Area on tournament day, but they CANNOT help assemble, fix, alter or in any way tinker with the props or set pieces. They also cannot help with hair & makeup and putting on or fixing costumes. Any help in this way is INTERFERENCE.

If an appraiser sees any interference, there will be point deductions for the team. Please reread the section on "Interference" in the Rules of the Road and remind your parents of the rules well before Tournament Day.



If you have questions, or need more details on anything listed here in the Best of the Bay newsletter, please contact Sharon at [caldibob@gmail.com](mailto:caldibob@gmail.com) or Judy at [judyawrie@me.com](mailto:judyawrie@me.com).

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## Plan for Rain

*Of course, we all hope for no rain on tournament day, but rain is definitely possible for us this year. Think about how your team can protect all of their props from water damage—they will have to carry them through uncovered areas. Also note, wind is a common issue in the Dublin hills. Be prepared!*

*We will provide limited covered space for all Prep Areas for every challenge.*

## Managing Props

*As your team works to create set pieces and props, remind them to be thinking about how they will transport these items to the tournament. That means getting all items safely through doors, into vehicles etc.*

*Also, because Valley Christian Schools has recently undergone some nice renovations, their floors must be kept free of any damage. This means **NO PROPS OR SET PIECES MAY BE DRAGGED ACROSS ANY FLOOR SURFACES.***

*And, this year, we will not be allowed to leave any props or set pieces in any school dumpsters or trash bins. You must plan to take everything back home with you.*