

## **NEW ADVANCEMENT GUIDELINES FOR GLOBAL FINALS 2018**

The following has been published in order to help your team understand how teams will be chosen to advance to Global Finals 2018. We will outline the advancement as well as the new Lottery system that is in place to give more teams the chance to attend Global Finals.

California Destination Imagination is allowed to advance **3 teams per Challenge, per level** to Global Finals 2018. That will mean that First, Second and Third place teams in each Challenge and Level will advance.

When ties occur within the first three places, sending First, Second and Third places still can advance.

### **The Lottery System**

California will also be allowed to enter **2 teams per Challenge, per Level** into a Lottery. In order to continue the tradition of the merit-based nature of Global Finals participation, each team that California nominates for the Lottery must meet ONE or more of the following requirements:

- The next ranked team for that Challenge and Level that IS NOT advancing.
- Any team that has placed first in either Central Challenge, Team Choice Elements OR Instant Challenge, but is not already advancing to Global Finals.
- Any team that has received a Renaissance, Da Vinci, Spirit of DI OR Torchbearer Award that is not already advancing to Global Finals.

In order to select the teams for the Lottery System, we will use the following system. Until there are 2 teams per Challenge, per Level chosen, the following criteria will be used to choose teams for the Lottery System:

- We will select that next ranked team for a Challenge and Level that IS NOT advancing.
- We will select any team that has placed first in either Central Challenge, Team Choice Elements OR Instant Challenge.
- We will select any team that has received a Renaissance, DaVinci, Spirit of DI OR Torchbearer Award that is not already advancing.
- If only one team has qualified so far for the Lottery, we will return to the first step and select the next ranked team that IS NOT advancing.

**All teams eligible to be in the Lottery will be announced at the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony at the State Tournament.**

Starting on April 16, 2018, Destination Imagination will begin selecting teams from the Lottery and sending Global Finals Invitations via email. No Lottery invitations will be sent out after April 23, 2018.