

Destination Imagination

IDEAS TO HELP THE TEAM STAY ORGANIZED

If you build it, they will come.
If you let them build it, they will learn



Agenda

Getting organized

Brainstorming

Project Management

Scheduling

Tools & Resources

Keeping it clean



Getting Organized



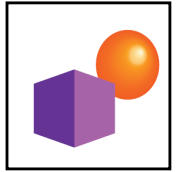
“Organized people are just people who are too lazy to look for things!”

Time between now and the tournament is finite

Being organized will help the team make the most of their resources

Everyone can improve their organization

A stitch in time...



Project Management

Solving the entire challenge is incredibly daunting. Creating a strategy that takes the team from a high level, then down into the component parts will keep things limited to more digestible pieces.

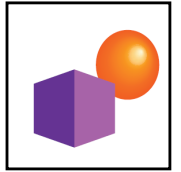


Create a strategy that enables them to succeed

Move from larger concepts into the various components of the teams solution.

Understand that the process is ever changing and will not be a linear progression.

Be prepared to run out of time – you will.



Scheduling

Creating a dependable schedule and sticking to it as closely as possible will make for more productive practices and will be easier on the kids, the managers and the parents.



Set solid expectations for kids to be at practice

Be on time from start to finish

Keep them moving

Have a schedule for every practice

Teach the team to evaluate return on their time



Tools & Resources

Providing efficient access to the needed tools and resources will increase the team's productivity and ultimately the end results of their efforts.



Easy access

Organized access

Adequate supplies

Help them anticipate what they will need

Getting help with knowledge and tools



Keeping it Clean

Leaving a mess from week-to-week has a cumulative effect on the team's workspace which will sap productivity from your efforts.



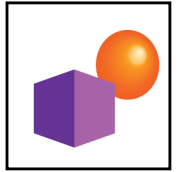
Team effort

Clean up as you go along

Clean up after every practice

Good opportunity to inventory and plan

Homeless tools usually get lost



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Being organized is not a binary state. It is a tool to help your team be more productive and to reach the goals that they have set for the year.

Look for ways to keep them organized at every turn.

The kids will bring enough chaos, turbulence and unexpected twists and turns on their own. Try and create the environment that will enable that chaos to bloom into stunning and amazing order that will eventually become their solution.



Thank you!

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