

## **Destination Imagination 2021-22-Grades 4-8**

### ***What is DI??***

Destination Imagination is the largest worldwide creative problem-solving program for teams preschool through college. The mission statement reads, “to foster the development of creative thinking and problem-solving skills. The emphasis is on the process; the learning that takes place all year as the teams prepare their Challenge solutions. Great minds don’t necessarily think alike, and they often march to different drummers; there are no set “right” answers. Those involved with Destination Imagination discover that creative solutions come from teamwork, cooperation, and risk-taking.”

### **\*The DI Equation=**

#### **TEAM CHALLENGE; Central Challenge**

-Academically-based; process-driven project emphasizing teamwork, creative problem solving, creativity, improvisation; sustained development time. Students choose an area of interest from:

Improv

Scientific

Engineering

Fine Arts

Technical

Or Service Learning

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#### **Instant Challenge**

-Development of an impromptu solution under tight time constraints; showcases teamwork, creative problem-solving techniques, performance, and material manipulation strategies; time management

**Solutions to: Central Challenge + Instant Challenge makes up the DI Season.**

### **BASICS:**

\*teams are 5-7 students, 1-2 coaches (elementary 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders, middle school teams 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

\* weekly meetings December-March with team to prepare solutions for the Regional competition on March 12<sup>th</sup> in Delavan-Derian.

\*Teams that qualify for State tournament will go to UW-Green Bay on April 9<sup>th</sup>.

\*Globals Competition if team qualifies: May 21-24 in Kansas City, MO

**\*Students personal and extra-curricular calendars should be able to support participation in all of the above should their team move on in competition.**

**\*\$90.00 fee for each student participant (will be charged to FACTS)**

**\*<http://www.idodi.org> for much more information – the national website**

\* <http://www.wisconsindi.org> for more information—the state website

**DI Interest Form:**

\*\*\*Please return this form to Mrs. Frederick by **Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Student Name:**

**Homeroom:**

**Top Choices for Team Challenge (see attachments)**

- 1.
- 2.

**Top Choices for teammates**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.