

Cypress-Fairbanks
ISD

2016 - 2017



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Trainings and Tournaments



Why Do DI?

Teaching the creative process
from
Imagination to Innovation

CFISD Team Manager Training Schedule 2016-2017

Tuesday, September 13

Tuesday, October 4

Tuesday, November 8

Tuesday, December 6

7:00-9:00 PM

The Berry Center

Gulf Coast Region Team Manager Panel Discussion

October 13, 7:00-8:30 PM

The Berry Center

Gulf Coast Region Team Training: Destination Preparation

December 10, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Salyards Middle School

How Do I Do DI
in CFISD?
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Destination Imagination Tournament Dates

- Gulf Coast Regional Tournament: March 4, 2017
Seven Lakes High School, Katy ISD
- Affiliate Tournament: April 7-9
Monterrey and Coronado High Schools, Lubbock ISD
- Global Finals: May 24-27
University of Tennessee, Knoxville



“We can’t teach our children everything that they need to know, but Destination Imagination provides opportunities for them to think, take risks, and work together to solve common problems – traits that will get them to rule the world.”

Raymond Simon – United States
Department of Education Deputy
Secretary

Why Do DI?

Destination Imagination is an educational program where student teams solve open-ended challenges and present their solutions at tournaments.

Teams in Destination Imagination learn higher order thinking and improve in creative thinking, critical thinking and collaborative problem solving. Participants learn and experience the creative process, develop new friendships and learn to work together.

There are six new Challenges to choose from each year. Each of the Challenges is developed by a team of educators and industry experts who target a particular area of the curriculum and its related standards of content and performance. The areas of focus include Technical, Scientific, Structural, Fine Arts, Improvisational and Service Learning.

There is also a non-competitive Early Learning Challenge that allows our youngest team members to begin to develop their social and problem solving skills.

Researchers from the University of Virginia Curry School of Education conducted an independent research evaluation of the DI program. Among other findings, the researchers reported, “Students who participated in the activities and tournaments provided by DI outperformed comparable students who had not participated in DI on assessments measuring creative thinking, critical thinking, and collaborative problem solving.

Visit DestinationImagination.org/ditv to watch participant testimonials and educator interviews.

How Do I Do DI in CFISD?



Show & Tech



Top Secret



In It Together



Vanished!



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1. Team Managers complete a CFISD "Authorization to Purchase Membership" form, obtain the appropriate administrator's signature, and send it Stephanie Plant, Advanced Academics; ISC-S, 10300 Jones Road, Suite 721, Houston, Texas 77065, or scan and e-mail the form to stephanie.plant@cfisd.net. **Note: The deadline for authorization is October 28, 2016.**
2. Once the form is received, Megan Puckett, the Team Manager Facilitator, will e-mail you a team membership number and PDF files for each challenge. These include *The Team Manager's Guide*, *The Rules of the Road*, and other materials you and your team need to begin working.
3. **IMPORTANT!** Register your team online at the Texas Destination Imagination website at <http://texasdi.org>. You must list student names, team name, appraiser names, etc. **You may have to update information several times over the coming months, but you cannot complete your registration until you provide appraiser names.** This website generates the Gulf Coast Tournament registration. If team information is not complete, your registration will not be recorded; and your team will not be scheduled to compete in the tournament. **YOU MUST DO THIS!**
4. Team Managers organize team meetings, help to select a challenge, build team skills, create fun practices, develop ideas, and prepare for competition.
5. Team managers must recruit **two appraisers** and one **volunteer** for the tournament day. Do this early and list their names with your team registration at texasdi.org. Appraisers must register online before the tournament, so direct your appraisers to texasdi.org.
6. The team manager, team members, and their parents, **MUST** sign the "Gulf Coast Acknowledgement of Declaration of Independence," and complete your team registration for the tournament at texasdi.org.

Registration must be completed by November 30, 2016.



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