**Resources for Rising Stars Team Managers 2024-2025**

DI Resource area

Login page: <https://resources.destinationimagination.org/resources.php>

* You should have received an email from [volunteer@dihq.com](mailto:volunteer@dihq.com) with instructions on how to get started. If not, let me or Kate know.

Documents: <https://resources.destinationimagination.org/resources.php/document/view>

* Challenge packets, Quick Start Guide, more Instant Challenges (the Instant Challenges are geared to the Elementary Level and above, but some can be adapted for Early Learning.)

DI training area

Login page: <https://dilearning.docebosaas.com/learn/signin>

* You should have received an email from [training@dihq.com](mailto:training@dihq.com) with instructions on how to get started. If not, let me or Kate know.

Good training modules to start with:

* Getting started as TM (2 Parts)
* Early Learning Challenge Overview – should be coming before the holidays, keep an eye out

Some Other Resources

* PDFs on DI site:
  + <https://www.destinationimagination.org/free-activities/>
* Videos of TCs
  + <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=23dBEsvSPa0> start at 1:11 hard to hear, but this a good example of what we expect – so don’t sweat perfection
  + Video from Cherry Creek Tournament – mostly featuring older kids, but you get a feel for what you’ll see on Tournament Day: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T5nSDP0Io4c>

Suggested Timeline for Team Challenge

* Start from Tournament Day & work backwards. Divide out number of meetings
  + First 1 or 2 meetings:
    - Read through challenge, come up with early ideas for solution (pages 17-19 in challenge packet are a good starting place)
    - Assign who will do what
    - Think about what Team Choice Elements could be
  + By 3rd meeting, have basic story ready to go
  + Allow a couple of meetings for **prototyping,** testing ideas, before working on final builds
  + Include an Instant Challenge practice at every meeting
    - Depending on how much time you have, allot a meeting to focus specifically on Instant Challenges
  + Everything should be done by last couple of meetings – final rehearsals, make some final tweaks

Basic Instant Challenge Supply List

* Popsicle sticks
* Chenille stems
* Foil
* Labels
* Straws
* Newspaper
* Index cards
* Paper plates
* Plastic cups
* Rubber bands
* Paper clips
* Construction paper
* White paper
* Yarn
* Markers
* Pencil
* paper

Tournament Dates

* February 22, 2025: **South Metro** (location TBA)
* March 1, 2025: **NoCo Canyon** (location TBA), **Southwest** (Escalante School)
* March 8, 2025: **Jeffco** (Chatfield HS), **Spicy South** (Pueblo Community College)
* March 15, 2025: **5280** (location TBA), **Western Slope** (Delta MS)

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