



*So...its time for  
competition!?*

*And I think I'm scared!*

# First off – don't be scared!



- Competition is a time for your team to **CELEBRATE** their success!
- Your team is ready for this (you are too!)

# Let's get prepared

- Have a timeline for your team visible. Kids have trouble with time.
- Make sure they understand their paperwork requirements
- Get a competition plan together

Paperwork	Timeline	Prep
Tournament Data Form (TDF)	# of practices left	Transporting Props
Expense Report	Dress Rehearsals	Fix-it Kit
Declaration of Independence	Instant Challenges	Interference Reminder

# First things First

- Tournament is FUN but it is also a bit stressful for the kids and the Team Manger.
- Preparation is KEY here
- We're going to break competition into several parts tonight: Preparation, Transportation, Competition, and PARTY!

Paperwork

Parents

Props

Food

Interference

Party!

# Preparation



- Your team is already preparing for tournament
- They should have a solution in process by now
- They should be working on props, scripts, costumes etc.
- Practicing is **IMPORTANT** give them time to practice in front of people
- Lists help – we **LOVE** our sticky notes around here
- Paperwork is **HARD** for the younger teams. Try to break it up for them
- Make sure they understand how points are awarded for their challenge.

# Preparation



*Being prepared for the kids means finishing their solution so they can present it at tournament*



*Being prepared for the team manager means helping to herd cats and often feels like you're trying to tie jello to a tree.*

# Paperwork – Tournament Data Form



- This is all done electronically
- You can see what the team will be filling out on the last pages of your Challenge
- You can fill out long hand and then transfer to online, or just type in the online form
- Tournament Guide: [Tournament Guide for Teams](#)

Welcome 

**You have been logged out successfully.**

## Welcome

To access most features of the Resource Area you need a DI account and you must be logged in that account.

You are NOT logged in:

- To login click [here](#)





- *Once you are in the dashboard, you will see a link to my tournaments, click this.*

A screenshot of a 'Helpful Links' menu. The menu is titled 'Helpful Links' and features a green globe icon. It contains a list of links, each in a blue button: 'My Teams', 'Challenge Materials & Documents', 'My Tournaments', 'Ask/View Clarifications', 'Team Manager Training', 'RegisterYourTeam.org', 'Free Resource Library', 'Donate to DI', and 'Huddles: Virtual Meetings'. A red arrow points to the 'My Tournaments' link.

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**(106-89085) DCIS Fairmount / -- Challenge:** Play On / RS

Your team has not yet been added to a tournament, or your Affiliate has not yet set up their Resource Area tournament. Please contact your Affiliate/Regional Tournament Director for more details.

**(106-06248) BVSD / / ;c\$h-?a"#o\*\*s{)!= -- Challenge:** Showdown / SL

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**(106-77494) BVSD / L@s FAMEous mentes -- Challenge:** Thrill Ride / ML

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**(106-68680) Pueblo Boys and Girls Club / -- Challenge:** Flip The Script / SL

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**(106-93726) DCIS Fairmount / -- Challenge:** Play On / RS

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**(106-28146) Compass Montessori / Pug Royals -- Challenge:** Flip The Script / EL

tournament	event date	pre-check deadline	sched	tdf	exp	tc prep	tc msgs	ic prep	ic msgs
<b>Regional:</b> Jeffco Regional Tournament	Sat 25-Feb-2023	no-precheck							



- You will see all your teams listed:

3. The color coded key at the bottom of the page lets you know the status of your team's forms.  
NOTE: If your tournament is NOT doing a Prep process prior to the tournament day, your team will not be placed into the "resubmit" or "pre-checked" statuses at any time.

State	Prep Pre-Check	No Prep Pre-Check	Digital Open	Description
not-started	✓	✓	✓	no responses for tournament
unsubmitted	✓	✓	✓	responses but not checked for being complete
submitted	✓	✓	✓	responses submitted for review by Prep
resubmit	✓		✓	responses reviewed by Prep Pre-check - changes suggested
pre-checked	✓			responses reviewed by Prep Pre-check
ready	✓	✓	✓	responses reviewed by Prep at tournament
dropped	✓	✓	✓	team not attending tournament

- Light Gray - Your team has not started to fill out the form.
- Red - Your team has not submitted the form.
- Yellow - Your team has submitted the form to be reviewed by the Prep Appraiser.
- Orange - Your team's submission has been reviewed by the Prep Appraiser, and there is an issue that needs to be corrected and resubmitted.
- Blue - Your team's submission has been reviewed by the Prep Appraiser, and it was approved prior to the day of the tournament.
- Green - Your team's submission has been reviewed by the Prep Area Appraiser at the tournament, and your team has moved into the scoring phase of the tournament.
- Dark Gray - Your team has dropped out of the tournament.





- *Expense Reports*
- *Refer to the Rules of the Road starting on page 23*
- *Categories*
  - *New Materials*
  - *Recycled/borrowed Materials*
  - *Rented Materials*
  - *Trash Materials*
  - *Common Materials*



# How do we tackle the expense report?

- Have the kids make a list of EVERYTHING going on stage
- Give them the list of exempt/trash items and ask them to highlight them in one color. Have those added to the form.
- Take the remaining items and help them with fractions – the paint was \$5 we used  $1/2^{\text{th}}$  of the can.. That means we have to claim \$2.50
- Things like used clothes, upcycled items can be given a garage sale price. Be reasonable.
- The sections are suggested. If you need to stick something elsewhere do it. It is ok to do things like ribbon/tape/bows :\$3.00 on the form. You only get the one page. Help the kids get it to fit on there
- This form is NOT going to undergo a tax audit.
- Have them double check their math and ensure that they are under their tournament allotted budget.
- If not – things have to go! (This happens to my team annually.)

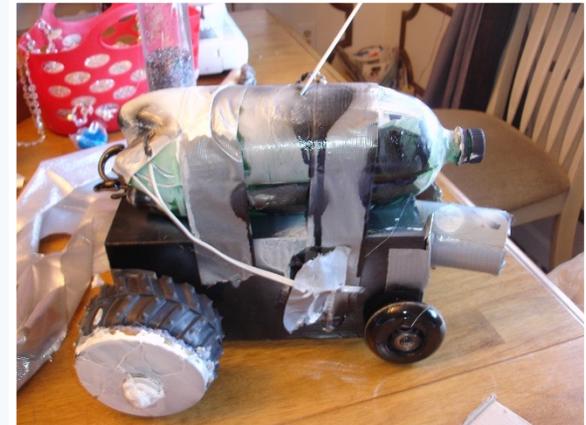
# Declaration of Independence tells us that...



*We did this...*



*And this...*



*And this... all by ourselves!*

# We're ready – let's go!

*If I can give any advice...*

- Do all the props fit through a standard door?
- GO to the meeting before tournament! You may learn **CRITICAL** things about your competition space
- Can the kids move everything by themselves?
- What if .... Breaks (let's be honest, it probably will)





*We tell them if they can dream it they can do it... but we have to MOVE it in a car...*



*Hot glue and cardboard on wheels...*



*Did fit through a standard door – BUT NOT if a metal detector was there...*

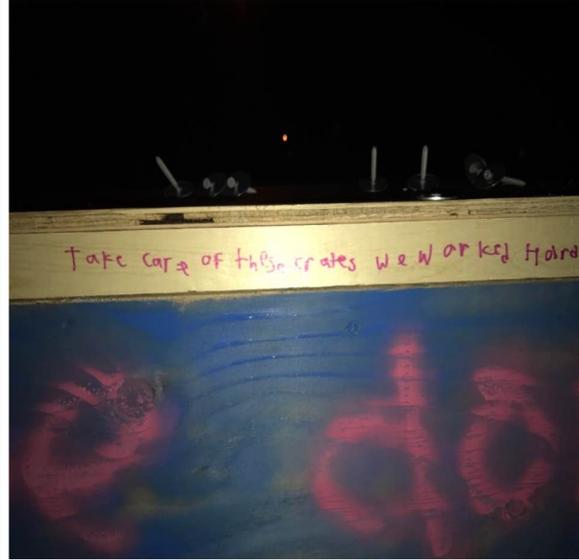


*Version 11 of this thing...*

# Tips from an experienced TM

- Have the kids practice moving their props. If something is going to break, its best it happens at a practice. Ask them questions about wobbly, rickety, terrifying props. You can't interfere but you can ask opened questions. My favorite is always "if that cant be on stage because it breaks, what happens?" This usually gets more tape or glue on the thing in question. If it doesn't believe me life lessons are the ones that stick with them. Let it go as it is.
- Make them prove it fits through a door. Eyeing does not count. This happens to my team EVERY year. It's important that things fit through doors.
- Talk with you parents about who can carry what in their vehicles. Giant trucks are great and all, but do not be deceived about what wind can do to cardboard and hot glue! Last year we had one van entirely dedicated to one prop because it was SO important and so fragile.
- Have the if you break it you CANNOT fix it and the kids will understand conversation with ALL the parents and the kids. Something will get broken. Its ok – travel with tape.
- Have your own fix-it kit. Mine is a GIANT bucket. Really it's ok to overdo the fix-it prep.

# Props make the show!



# Competition is here



- You will have a time for your IC and a time for your performance. You will want to be early for performance to have time to get everything in the building. **HAVE A PLAN** for this before you get there.
- Keep the kids busy with games, snacks etc.
- Make them use the bathroom **BEFORE** you head into IC.
- **HAVE FUN** with them!

# Competition Day

*If I can give any advice...*

- *Get there early*
- *Have the kids match – there are SO many kids there and there's something about looking like a team*
- *Bring food.*
- *Bring team warm-up activities*
- *Set a meeting place for the parents*
- *Understand the layout of the day and your teams ability to handle chaos*
- *If you can watch some other teams compete do it. Nothing is more life changing than seeing what kids can do.*
- *Put your stress aside – the kids will notice, today is about celebrating their successes.*



# Performances



# Tips from an experienced TM

- Have a parent ready to hold everything when you go to IC – remember no phones, watches, bags etc. Just leave it all there and know that parent will be there when you get back
- Find a safe place for props in a hallway and have a parent stationed there.
- Make sure the kids have time to build things, get dressed, run their lines etc.
- DO NOT forget your paperwork for performance or IC – really don't do it!
- Remind parents that doing hair, make-up or fixing anything is INTERFERENCE and they can hurt the team.
- GO to the awards ceremony and dance party.
- Talk with the kids before competition about flash and video. Make sure they're prepared to answer and if they are really anti flash – tell the parents before hand.
- Video their performance so they can see it later (don't do it personally though, the video will be all shaky!)

# How to Read Scores

## Mobile Scoring (State: Final)

Tournament Rooms

**Teams by Room**

Appraisers by Room

Appraiser Activity

### Return Raw Scores and Stickies

Room: CUSC Rm 2500 A (tc-A) Levels: EL

Colorado State Tournament

106-74648 / Elk Creek Elementary School PTA

TC: 12:21 pm / IC: 9:57 am

Scored Discussed with Team: 2022-04-02 17:24:23

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Email Scores

View Stickies

item	kind	max	score	deduction	reason
A. Daring Devices	head				
A1. Technical Design of Daring Device 1	subj	20.00	6.00		
A2. Technical Innovation of Daring Device 1	subj	20.00	6.67		
A3. Technical Design of Daring Device 2	subj	20.00	11.33		
A4. Technical Innovation of Daring Device 2	subj	20.00	11.33		
B. Hazards	head				
B1. Each Hazard successfully overcome by the Daring Devices	obj	30.00	30.00		
B2. Risk Taking in the design of Hazard 1	subj	15.00	4.75		
B3. Risk Taking in the design of Hazard 2	subj	15.00	5.25		
B4. Risk Taking in the design of Hazard 3	subj	15.00	4.75		
C. Story	head				
C1. Creativity of the story about a daring escape from a hazardous situation	subj	20.00	16.67		
C2. Clear and effective storytelling	subj	15.00	12.50		
C3. Theatrical effect of the Feat of Skill	subj	25.00	20.83		
C4. Integration of the Daring Devices and their attempts to overcome the Hazards into the story	subj	25.00	18.75		

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I love both team elements as they were definitely unique and creative. It was definitely smart to use an easy song as the base of your original song.

Wow, great cars!  
Wonderful team spirit!  
Thanks

Loved Ninja Grandma!

Your closing song was very creative, twinkle twinkle

Costumes and story presentation was super!

Glad that Ninja Grandma was able to send Bugs Bunny back in the TV so that I can watch him. 😊

Hi! I'm here to questic Imagin.

# How to Read Scores

## A: DARING ESCAPE

### A: DARING ESCAPE, ELEMENTARY LEVEL

Rank	Name	Town	Mbrshp#	Total	Devices	Hazards	Story	Choice	Instant
				Deduct	RwDevs	RwHzrds	RwStory	Rw.TCE	RwInst
1G	<b>DI Elemental Eagles, Elk Creek Elementary School PTA</b>	Bailey	106-78573	399.91 0.00	80.00 45.55	75.00 51.84	84.91 53.78	60.00 38.89	100.00 82.33
2	The Space Eagles, Elk Creek Elementary School PTA	Bailey	106-74648	386.91 0.00	71.82 40.89	74.52 51.51	85.00 53.84	57.59 37.33	97.98 80.67
3	The Compass Creatures, Compass Montessori	Golden	106-29711	340.02 0.00	77.28 44.00	65.36 45.18	60.43 38.28	47.47 30.77	89.48 73.67
4	Smilish Beans, Dillon Valley Elementary School	Dillon	106-64013	300.88 0.00	61.28 34.89	43.17 29.84	83.59 52.95	59.00 38.24	53.84 44.33



Dance party? Oh - yeah!

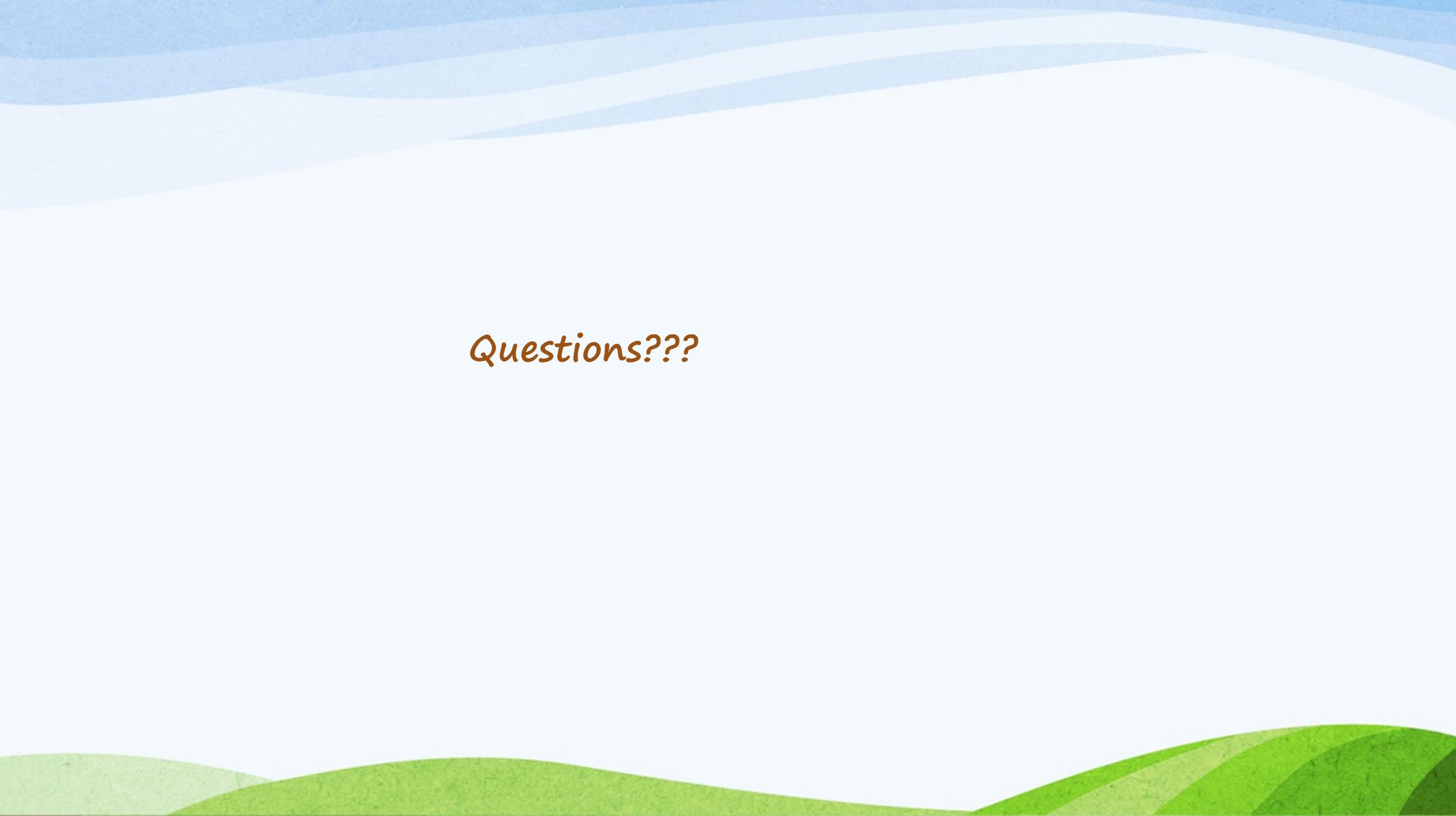


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# Tips from an experienced TM

- The dance party and awards party give the kids a chance to celebrate and have fun after their performance.
  - This is an important wrap up and closing piece for any project.
  - Bring blankets
  - Coordinate glow stuff. If they presell glow packages BUY THEM.
  - Sit together
  - Take pictures
  - Teach them the electric slide
  - Let them have fun
  - Regardless of placement, the party is a celebration of their DI season.
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- If you move on – CONGRATS and come to support group next month for State Prep!

The background features a stylized landscape with rolling hills. The top portion consists of several layers of blue and light blue wavy bands, suggesting a sky or distant mountains. The bottom portion consists of several layers of green and light green wavy bands, suggesting rolling hills or a field. The overall style is clean and modern, with a focus on natural elements.

*Questions???*