

Destination Imagination Tournament Event Guide

Wisconsin Destination Imagination Southeast Sectional Tournament 2024

About the Event

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When: Saturday, March 2, 2024

Where: Muskego High School, W183 S8750 Racine Avenue, Muskego WI 53150



[Image Description: Photo of the lobby of Muskego High School.]

What is This Resource?

An event guide (sometimes called an access guide, building guide, accessibility guide, or visiting guide) is a resource that highlights details of an upcoming event through photos, descriptions, and other helpful information. This resource is intended to help you plan your tournament day! Tournament questions can be directed to anne.coulling@wisconsindi.org.

What to Expect at This Event

Navigating the Venue

Tournament maps are provided at <u>https://wisconsindi.org</u> and at information tables at the event. Photos and descriptions are found later in this resource.

It is normal for spaces to change, especially when they are used by many people! When you arrive, you may notice that there are different things hung on the walls, different furniture arrangements, or even bigger changes. You may notice smells that you didn't expect, or lights that are brighter or darker than our photos. We know that DI participants can use their creativity to adapt to these changes.

Team Challenges

Throughout the event, Destination Imagination (DI) teams will be presenting their work on a **Team Challenge**. The Team Challenge falls in one of seven categories: Technical, Scientific, Fine Arts, Improvisational, Engineering, Service Learning, or Early Learning. You can learn more about this year's Team Challenges <u>on the DI website</u>. Each Team Challenge has its own Presentation Site, or rooms specific to the Challenge. The size, seating options, and acoustics will vary greatly by Presentation Site.

Each team has an assigned **Presentation** time for Team Challenge. The tournament schedule can be found on <u>https://wisconsindi.org</u>. Teams should arrive at the Presentation Site at least 20 minutes prior to the assigned time in order to begin the check in process in the Prep Area. Teams participating in the Engineering Challenge may require extra time to check in parts of their solutions. In the Prep Area, the team will work with the Prep Area Appraiser to check in all of the props, costumes, and anything else that will be used in the team's Presentation. Only the team members and the Team Manager (their adult mentor) are allowed in the Prep Area. The **Presentation** is when the team members present how they solved their Team Challenge in front of an audience and a team of Appraisers (scoring officials).

A team's Presentation lasts eight minutes or less. The content of team Presentations will vary greatly, but it is likely you will see stories, scenery, costumes, and technical elements created by the team members. It is common for a team's Presentation to include lights, possibly including strobe lights and/or flashing lights. Team Presentations do often include loud noises or music. However, most Presentation sites do NOT have sound systems, so it may be hard to hear the team. Audience members are welcome to laugh or applaud as they see fit.

When the team members are done with their Presentation, the Appraisers will ask them a few questions before they leave. Audience members can remain in the Presentation Site during these questions. After speaking with the Appraisers, the team will take its Presentation materials out of the Presentation Site. At this time, parents and team supporters may help the team remove materials from the Presentation Site.



[Image description - example of a Presentation site]

Instant Challenges

An **Instant Challenge** (IC) is a smaller Challenge that is a surprise to the team on the day of the tournament. An Instant Challenge may involve a task, a performance, or a combination of both. Instant Challenges usually last ten minutes or less.

Teams are given a specific time to present their Instant Challenge. The team, the Team Manager, and the Appraisers are the only people allowed into the Instant Challenge areas.

When a team has completed the Instant Challenge, the team members may be directed to a **Chill Out** room to discuss the experience with one another. Since many teams will utilize the same Instant Challenge at this event, teams *must not* discuss details of the Instant Challenge outside of the Chill Out room until after the Destination Imagination season has ended in May.

Spectators

Spectators, such as friends and family members, are welcome to attend this tournament. Spectators are welcome to view any Team Challenge presentation. Please look for the doors marked "Audience Entrance" at each Challenge Presentation Site.

Please note: At many Presentation Sites, doors will be closed whenever a team is presenting, so spectators may be asked to wait to enter the Presentation Site.

Spectators will not be allowed to view any Instant Challenge presentations.

Celebration Ceremony

The Celebration Ceremony will take place on Saturday, March 2, in the Salentine Gym. All teams and spectators are welcome to attend. Teams, Team Managers, and Spectators are invited to sit on the floor of the gym or in the bleachers. The exact time of the Celebration Ceremony will be announced after January 31st.

The following special awards may be presented: DaVinci Awards, Renaissance Awards, Spirit of DI Awards.

Place awards will be given for each Team Challenge, based on their Competition Level:

- Elementary Level (EL): Grades K-5
- Middle Level (ML): Grades 6-8
- Secondary Level (SL): Grades 9-12
- University Level (UL): College/University Students

Please note: Early Learning/Rising Stars teams (PreK-2nd grade) are in a noncompetitive division. All members of Early Learning/Rising Stars teams will receive medals immediately following their Team Challenge presentations.

The Celebration Ceremony is usually a high-energy event with lots of crowds and noise. Audience members are welcome to clap and cheer as they see fit.



[Image description - a photo of the crowd from a previous Awards Celebration, with medals and trophies in the foreground.]

Other Tournament Events

During the tournament, teams and spectators may also visit our merchandise table, in the front lobby, and our concessions area and photo booth in the cafeteria.

Photos and Videos

Photos/videos of a team's Presentation may only be taken if the team has given permission. This information will be announced before the team begins its Presentation.

What to Wear

All tournament participants and spectators are welcome to wear comfortable, weather-appropriate clothing. Our volunteers often wear vibrant, colorful clothing and hats to celebrate the event. It is also highly likely that you will see team members in costume for their Presentations.

Scent Free Policy

Out of respect to those with sensitivity to scent, please avoid wearing perfumes or colognes.

Inclement Weather

If inclement weather will have any impact on the tournament schedule, teams will be notified via email and on the Wisconsin Destination Imagination Facebook Page (<u>https://www.facebook.com/wisconsinDl</u>).

Emergency Procedures

First aid kits are available at each Challenge site.

If a medical emergency should occur, we will immediately call 911. Please notify the nearest tournament volunteer for assistance.

For other emergencies, please notify the nearest tournament volunteer for assistance.

Accessibility Information

Destination Imagination is committed to being as inclusive and accessible as possible. If there are questions that extend beyond the information provided in this guide, please contact Anne Coulling at <u>anne.coulling@wisconsindi.org</u>. We are eager to meet your needs!

If accessibility needs arise on site, the day-of point of contact is Anne Coulling at <u>anne.coulling@wisconsindi.org</u>.



[Image Description: Photo of day-of point of contact, Anne Coulling, Southeast Sectional Tournament Team]

Immunity Precautions

Our event will adhere to local health and safety restrictions. At this time, masking and vaccinations are optional but highly recommended.

To be respectful of those with compromised immune systems, please do not attend this event if you are experiencing an airborne or contagious illness.

Mobility Information

There are 13 accessible parking spaces near the entrances to Muskego High School.

Presentation Sites are located throughout the venue. If you use a mobility device, please consider bringing it with you to help manage the distances between sites.

When You Arrive

Entrances to the tournament can be found marked on the map at chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/<u>https://wisconsindi.org/wp-content/uploads/202</u> <u>4/02/SE-Sectional-Tournament-Map-2024-v2.pdf</u>.

Teams arriving with props should use the following entrances (marked on the map linked above):

- Technical and Engineering Challenges: Door #16 (Woods Rd. side)
- Scientific, Service Learning, Fine Arts, Improv, and Early Learners Purple Site: Door #1 (main entrance–Racine Ave. side)
- Early Learners Orange Site: Door #5 (Woods Rd. side)

Teams must not block any parking spaces or points of entry while loading, unloading, or moving their props. Drivers of prop vehicles must exit the prop loading zones immediately upon finishing unloading.

Restroom Information

Restrooms divided by gender can be found throughout the building.

Food/Drink

Food and drinks will be available during the tournament at our concession stand in the cafeteria.

- Open 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Donuts and coffee (early morning), snacks, baked goods, pizza (lunchtime), and bottled beverages.

Teams and spectators are welcome to bring their own food and drinks. We ask that you enjoy your food and drinks outside of performance areas.



[Image Description: Cafeteria of Muskego High School]

Thank You!

Thank you for attending our tournament! We are looking forward to an event fueled by creativity, collaboration, and camaraderie. Throughout your experience, if you need to ask questions, offer feedback, or request accommodations, you are welcome to contact us at anne.coulling@wisconsindi.org.



[Image description - a team presentation from a past tournament. A team member stands inside a prop, which looks like a tall green dinosaur.]

Disclaimer: We offer this resource as an accommodation to help people know what to expect and to prepare for this tournament. The organizers of this event are not the stewards of the building, campus, or University meaning we cannot guarantee nor are we responsible for meeting ADA Standards. Even so, we do our best to advocate, accommodate, and choose sites that are as accessible as possible!