

Newsletter September 19, 2019

WELCOME TO DENVER DICO!

Hello all and welcome (or welcome back) to Denver DICO! We have a lot of "new" news to share and we are so excited for this DI season! We now have a new website! You can find our site directly HERE or by finding our region on the DI Colorado website HERE.

You will find a wealth of knowledge from these sites including team manager tips and support, a calendar of events, links to trainings and webinars, and MORE!

The purpose of this newsletter is to help keep you regularly informed AND easily look back on any previous messages or information you may have missed. We would like to briefly re-cap an informative email we recently sent so all Denver DICO participants are able to access that information quickly and easily through this newsletter.

1. <u>BACKGROUND CHECKS!</u>: The team manager of record MUST complete a background check! Your team cannot compete if this is not complete. Good news- DPS has made this easier than ever AND.... IT'S FREE! Denver Public Schools is now using Sterling Volunteers (formally Verified Volunteers) for their background checks. Here's the bonus- this is what DI uses for background checks and you can select one other company to share your background check with! Select Destination Imagination Colorado and your background check will

automatically be shared with DPS and DI Colorado. The process takes less than 2 minutes from the comfort of your own home! Here is the direct link to DPS for the background check: CLICK HERE

- 2. **NEW CHANGES!**: We are considering some exciting new changes to support the Denver tournament this year. As many of you know, the position that previously supported DI with DPS was eliminated which included eliminating the financial support of academic activities for DPS. This means we have to find other financial supports and other ways to help make our tournament season the great success that it is. We are looking for places that may be willing to donate things such as breakfast and lunch for our volunteers on tournament day, items for us to sell at our new tournament store and concessions, and any other ways for us to continue to be sustainable. That being said, we will also have a very small fee for our tournament this year. We will have a \$50 fee per team upon tournament registration. As ALWAYS, if there is ever a team that is struggling to afford this cost- please don't hesitate to reach out. We are also hoping to start a fundraising campaign and perhaps find a few corporate sponsorships. If you have any access to resources, please let us know!
- 3. <u>Spread the Word!</u>: We could use help getting flyers and information out to families and communities to share the DI Experience with as many of our Denver families as possible. If you are able and willing, could you take a moment to share any of these flyers (below) within your school? They can be sent as a PDF link in school newsletters if that is useful as well. They are great for laying out at Back-To-School nights or Parent/Teacher conferences.

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As always, we appreciate you all tremendously and are grateful for your constant support! Please feel free to contact us with any questions at any time!

Sincerely,
The Denver DICO Regional Team