

Some **BIG** things coming up this week!!

<u>It's October!</u>

In two days...

Metro Area Kick Off Event

Many of our teams like to get started this month. To help us get kicked off, we our hosting a Metro Area Kickoff at Northfield High School THIS Friday, October 4th. <u>Click</u> <u>here</u> for the flyer (which has hopefully already been circling around your schools...) that gives more detail!

Please share this with friends, neighbors, or any others that may be interested. Any teams that attend and choose to register a team will receive 50% off their tournament registration fee in March.

Other Big October Dates

Thursday, October 10th 4-7pm Strikes for Steam

Bowling and networking event supporting DI Colorado. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Wednesday, October 16th, 6:30pm- New Team Manager Training

This training is for team managers new to the DI program. We will cover the basics of what it is to be a team manager and how to lead your team through the creative

problem solving process. This training will give you the basics on what to do on that first team meeting, how to get your team unstuck without interference, as well as give you team building ideas.

Please **<u>RSVP here</u>** as seating is limited.

Friday, October 25th, 7pm-12am DI After Dark

Attention Middle School Teams! Welcome to a whole new DI experience.

Come experience DI in a whole new way! You and your team will be given a 4-part challenge to solve in one 4-hour period. Compete with your DI team, or just come on your own and we will create a team for you. Enjoy solving a DI challenge along with fun and games.

Important: This Event is for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders only!! You must register for this event by October 18th. Space is limited and we've sold out for the last 5 years.

\$20 a person **<u>Register Here</u>**

Background Checks

Next- If you are managing a DI team this year, you must complete a background check.

If you are already employed by a school district, you can just send a picture of your school ID to **<u>Rob</u>** at the state office. If you are managing a DPS team- this background check is completely free through DPS! <u>**Click Here**</u>.

If that link isn't working- you can also access the background check directly through volunteer services. <u>Click Here</u>.

When you get to the volunteer site, click on "Start Volunteering" below the picture. You can then click to fill out the volunteer application and background check form. It takes 2 minutes to complete and you can choose one other company to share the results for free. PLEASE select Destination Imagination Colorado and your results will automatically be shared.

What is DI? Presentation

I have created a power point that helps to explain DI a bit and if anyone would like to see it or share it with other interested adults, I wanted to share it with you all. It is a google slide to be shareable but let me know if you would like it in any other format. <u>Click Here</u>.

Thank you all so very, very much and I hope to see you all soon at kickoff, trainings, or even just in passing! Don't hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

-Minda McGurk, Regional Director