

2022 Illinois Destination Imagination Affiliate Tournament

**Saturday,
April 2, 2022
Northern Illinois
University
DeKalb, Illinois**



MASK UPDATE: Wear a mask based on your personal preference, informed by your personal level of risk. Mask wearing by teams, spectators and officials is no longer mandatory in Illinois, but it is wise to carry a mask with you in case you need one. Please respect individuals who request you to wear a mask while interacting with them. If the team is wearing a mask during their Team Challenge and Instant Challenge, the team is reminded to speak loudly and clearly. We don't want to miss a word of your Challenge Solution.

Special note: Be sure to have one copy of all your paperwork. These are different instructions from what is written in the Challenge. You will submit all the forms before of the Tournament, by midnight March 28, 2022, online. But please bring one copy of the Tournament Data Form, Expense Report and Prep Checklist, in case we are unable to access the information during the tournament.

There are no copy facilities or printers for the teams to use at this school. It can be difficult to access the Resource Area during the tournament. Please plan accordingly.

Parking: On campus parking is free on Saturdays – Park in Staff or Student Parking – do not take spaces for handicapped or restricted use where noted. You will be ticketed. See map for locations.

Weather: Extended forecast shows Temps in the low 50s. Be sure to keep track of all belongings, especially jackets, coats, and sweatshirts.



Location on NIU Campus: Most teams will be presenting in one of 3 different building all on the west side of the main campus – Cavan Auditorium, in Gabel Hall for Scientific and Service Learning- DuSable Hall for Fine Arts, Engineering Challenges, and Instant Challenge for all teams, and the Stevens Building for Improv and Registration and Sales in the Lobby, and Global Meeting. We are also using Anderson Hall, on the upper east side of campus for the Technical Challenge.

Time: The buildings will open to teams on Saturday, April 2 at 7:30 AM. The Registration and Sales Table in the lobby of the Stevens Building will open at 9:00 AM and will remain open until 2:30.

Registration and Lost and Found: All teams **must** check in at the Registration Table during the day. We have a packet for each of your teams, including a **gift** for the team from ILDI! Stop by the Registration Table in the Lobby of the Stevens Building by 2:30 PM to pick up your team’s packet.

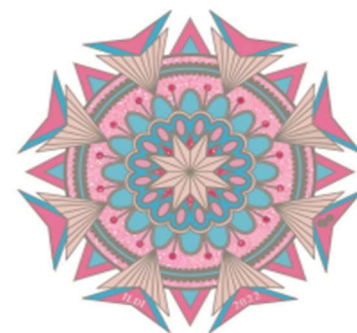


Lost and Found: If you find something during the day which has lost its owner, please turn it in at the registration table.

Shirt and Pin Sales and Raffle: The Sales table opens at 9:30 AM. The Purple state shirts and pins feature our fun theme from 2020 (remember that!?) “**Cosmic Creativity**”. We also have a brand-new pin for 2022 by our DI Alumni designer, Marissa Moser, adding to her original collection with another celestial pin and a new shirt too!

While many teams pre-ordered our items, we will have limited amount of the Pins and Shirts available for sale. We will accept cash, personal checks or you can use Venmo.

Food: No food or drink is allowed in any of the classrooms, except for the Officials.



Prop and Set drop off:

Challenge E: Engineering – Roll with It, Fine Arts- Tricky Tales, and Instant Challenge - DuSable Hall – 240 University Circle Dr. NO PARKING in the turnaround, this is for drop off only. We do have teams using buses, and this turnaround must be available for them to use and turn the bus around. Please unload your vehicle quickly and move it to appropriate parking.

Look for the **Green Flag** across the street from the Parking deck and turn onto University Circle from Carroll Avenue. There will be a **Blue Flag** at the turnaround where you unload and load.

There are two ways to enter the building here. Best doors for entrance to DuSable for IC, if dropping off by vehicle, and Elementary Level Fine Arts faces the grass on the west side of DuSable, and the Engineering, and Fine Arts Middle/Secondary Levels should enter the doors which face the Drive – they are the closest ones to the elevator or stairway.

For **INSTANT CHALLENGE**, you may also park in the parking deck and walk through the Stevens Building Lobby and use the sidewalk to enter DuSable through the back side. There will be signs and a **Purple Flag**. Or you can park in the large lot near the Field House, walk up the slight incline, and enter DuSable through the West doors.



Challenge A: Technical – Daring Escape, Anderson Hall, east side of building or south entrance. There will be an **Orange Flag** near the south entrance. Prop storage and Prep will be in Room 130 – the Dance hall with mirrors.

Challenge B: Scientific- Up Close and Service Learning – For the Future - Cavan Auditorium, in Gabel Hall – on Stadium Dr, enter Stadium Drive from Annie Glidden Road and look for the **Red Flag**. This covered walkway leads to Cavan Auditorium. Park in the large lot to the north next to the field house after unloading. You can reach DuSable by sidewalk or through Gabel Hall from Cavan.

Challenge D: Improvisational – Festival Frenzy – and Sales and Registration - Stevens Building Park in the Parking Deck or Visitor lot and carry boxes into Stevens Building. **Yellow flag**. Please remove boxes when finished.

For all Team Challenges: It is permissible for parents to assist in bringing the sets and props into the building, and up or down the stairs. Once the sets, etc. are in the building, only the team can put them together. The Parents and Team Managers can assist in moving them into the launch area inside the Challenge Room right before the presentation.

After the performance, anyone can assist in removing the team’s belongings from the Building. Don’t destroy any part of your challenge! Please remove everything. Do Not discard sets and Props at NIU.



Team Challenge Hints: It is strongly recommended that the teams read the 2022 “Tournament Guide for Teams” which can be downloaded from the main DI website by team managers. This guide is a very accurate description of what will happen for your challenge the day of the tournament.

Inside the building, teams and audience members have separate entrance hallways or doors for each challenge. Remember your set pieces must be able to fit through the width of a standard door. The doors to the room will close once the team is in place to begin. Doors will re-open after the challenge is completed. Please respect the door keepers and enter only between performances. **It is suggested that teams check in with the prep area appraiser for their challenge a minimum of 20 to 30 minutes before their challenge.** In addition, *Challenge E – “Roll with It” Engineering teams should check in their structure 1 hour before their performance time in room 176 of DuSable Hall.*

Teams may bring their props and sets into the building before their presentation and place them in the hallways against the wall. Keep to one side of the hall. You should try to pick a space that is out of the way to drop your sets and props. Teams may use the restrooms near their challenge site for dressing and make-up, but be sure to bring your own tissues, towels etc. for clean-ups after the presentation. Teams must also leave the presentation site clean for the next team. This includes cleaning up the floor if you have used anything that might shed or leave debris. You will have just a few minutes after the Appraisers talk to the team to move everything out and clean up. Please move quickly, to keep the

tournament on schedule.

Instant Challenge: DuSable Hall Every team presenting a Team Challenge will also complete an Instant Challenge. Unlike the Team Challenge, there are no spectators in Instant Challenge. The only people allowed in the room are Appraisers, Team Members, and **one** Team Manager. This process should take about 45 minutes from Check -in to completion. **Parents and other spectator may go and watch other teams, wait in the Lobby of the Stevens building, or explore NIU.**



Check-in for Instant Challenge is located one the 4th floor lobby near the elevator of DuSable Hall. You may only access the 4th floor by the stairwells near the elevator. **Teams should check-in a minimum of 15-20 minutes before their Instant Challenge time.** Your team will then move to the holding room. **DO NOT DISCUSS THE INSTANT CHALLENGE** outside of private team meetings **UNTIL THE END OF MAY.** If a team is overheard discussing IC, they may be disqualified from the tournament and will not move on to Global Finals.

Red Ties: What is going on with the Red Ties? The red tie signifies the wearer is an Alumni of the DI program. These wonderful past participants are now giving back to the organization. Be sure to thank them and all of your Volunteer Officials today! We couldn't have a tournament without them.

Scores: Team Challenge scores are picked up at the Challenge site by **one team member and one Team Manager.** The Challenge Master or Head Appraiser for your challenge will present the raw scores to you. As soon as the scores are released by the score room, they will contact you, normally via text or email, that your scores are ready to be picked up. The team has 30 minutes from the time of pick-up to ask for any clarification of objective scores only. Raw Scores for Team Challenge may be ready and sent via Email, but it is highly encouraged to pick these up in person, if possible. The presentation of scores and discussion about the Team's Paperwork is a vital part of the tournament process.



The Instant Challenge scores are not revealed until after the awards ceremony. Instant Challenge scores are non-questionable due to their subjective scoring components. Only the total score for Instant Challenge will be given to the teams.

All total scores from the tournament will be sent to the Team Managers, as soon as possible. They will also be posted on the ILDI website. Information concerning weight held, etc., for the Engineering teams will be blocked on the ILDI website.

Awards Ceremony:

The Virtual Awards Ceremony is scheduled to go live at Noon on Sunday, April 3rd. Team Managers will be sent the link and a copy of the complete scores from the tournament ahead of this time. Team scores in the Team Challenge and Instant Challenge are combined to determine placement. If your team places 1st, 2nd or 3rd at the Affiliate Tournament, you will receive one trophy and a medal for each of the team members. These medals and trophies will be hand-delivered to the teams on Monday, April 4.

Special Awards: In addition to placement medals, if there is more than one team in any level of any Challenge competing on April 2, a high Instant Challenge medal will be awarded to the team scoring

the highest IC. There are also other Special Awards presented to DI teams; The DaVinci Award, The Renaissance Award, and the Spirit of DI Award. If your team receives one of these special awards, you will receive the medals on April 4.

Teams receiving a trophy may order additional trophies for team members. There will be a form for you when the medals and trophies are delivered.

Global Finals: All Illinois teams are eligible to attend the spectacular experience of Global Finals in Kansas City, from May 21-24. Normally this four-day tournament is only offered to the top placing teams throughout the world. Due to the lingering effect of the Pandemic on travel by other countries, there is room at the tournament this year for more US teams! Several of our Illinois teams can't wait to be back at Globals this year. If you are considering taking advantage of this unprecedented offer with your team, please come to one of two meetings we will be holding to answer your questions and share info we have about Global Finals. Seating is limited. This is not for team members. Please limit the meeting to one adult per team - meetings will be held at **11:30 AM and 3:00 PM in Room 235 of the Stevens Building.**



Scholarship Raffles: ILDI is pleased to present creativity scholarships each year to deserving graduating High School seniors and continuing College students. These scholarships are funded by our raffles.

While visiting the Stevens Building, stop by the sales table to check out the raffles. We will hold two separate drawings in the Stevens Lobby – one at 11:30 and one at 3:00. Tickets are \$1 ea, 3 for \$5, or 15 for \$10. If you don't win at 11:30- try again – you will need more tickets! You will need to stop back to see if you are the winner! Winners need to be present to select their item.

There is also a special DI Pin Board, featuring multiple unusual pins. The drawing for this will be held at 3:00. Tickets for this board are \$2.00 each or 3 ticket for \$5.00. The winner of the Pin Board does not need to be present.



If you have any questions, please contact Diana Dignan at ildi.dignan@gmail.com or Jan Darnell at ildi.darnell@gmail.com

Thank You and Have Fun! We can't wait to see you in person!