

# Destination Imagination



## Time to Form a Team!

### What is Destination Imagination?

DI is a program designed to challenge young people to do long-term, creative problem-solving through teamwork and collaboration. DI's purpose is to inspire and equip students to become the next generation of innovators and leaders. The program encourages teams to have fun, take risks and frame challenges while incorporating STEM (Science, technology, engineering, and math), the arts, and service projects. Team members learn patience, flexibility, persistence, ethics, respect for others and their ideas, how to tap into their creativity and think on their feet, as well as the collaborative problem solving process. ***This is all done without assistance or interference from adults.***

### Want to know more?

- Attend the Informational Meeting @ Dennison **September 12, 2017 6pm**
- Visit [www.destinationimagination.org](http://www.destinationimagination.org)
- Visit [www.dennisonpta.org/programs/imagination/](http://www.dennisonpta.org/programs/imagination/) to sign up! **Register by October 1!**
- Each team picks a challenge based on the areas of interests above, the 2017-2018 teams can choose from the following challenges below:



### Competition Schedule:

All teams compete in the Jeffco tournament **February 24, 2018** @ Jefferson Jr. Sr. High School in Edgewater. Jeffco's Instant Challenge Day is **January 27, 2018**.

If the competitive teams go on to state or nationals they choose to continue and participate in those tournaments in the Spring. In year's past Dennison teams have gone on to place at the global competition.

### Who can participate?

Any student! Parent/teacher volunteers are needed as team managers. Teams are comprised of 3-7 students, grouped based on grade level. K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade students participate in the non-competitive division while grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> are competitive. **Sign up & we will form your teams!**

### When do the teams practice?

Each team determines a meeting time, before or after school when the students and team managers are available. Teams typically meet once a week from October through February. **We will coordinate finding space for you in the school if you need it!**

### How much does it cost?

This is a self-funded program within our PTA organization. The team members split the registration fee of \$115 for competitive teams and \$90 for non-competitive teams, the Jeffco regional tournament registration \$100 and required team supplies (which are capped, est. \$140). A student on a competitive 4 person team would pay less than \$100 for the program.

**Interested in DI?** We are hosting an informational meeting **September 12, 2017 at 6pm** at Dennison!

Please access the DI webpage on the PTA portal at <https://www.dennisonpta.org/programs/imagination/> and click on the "Sign up online" button to submit your registration **by October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Teams are assigned on a first come basis and *the number of teams will depend on the number of Team Managers that volunteer*. Team managers are provided a manual/guide to assist their efforts. Teachers can earn 3 CEU credits for managing a team.

If you have any questions or are having issues accessing the webpage for registration, please contact Jessie Pellant at [jesspellant@gmail.com](mailto:jesspellant@gmail.com) or call at 208-340-9955.