

Confirmation Packet

Event Detail and Information

Congratulations! You made it. Your invention has been chosen as one of the best in your school and you are eligible to compete in the Regional Invention Convention!

Here's what you need to know. (If any information is missing, contact your teacher or coordinator right away):

1. Map of COSI.
2. You will pick up your Invention Convention badge, with your booth number and name printed on it, at check in Friday between 4-7PM.
3. Colored plastic badge holder – very important – don't lose this! All student inventors must wear their Invention Convention badge during the entire convention.
4. Event detail and information that tells you everything you need to know.
5. Quick Reference Student Fact Sheet.

Set up: Friday, May 20 - 4-7PM

All inventions must be completely set up by your assigned time.(See detail sheet)

You do not have to personally be there to set up your invention. Invention entries may be set up by Mom or Dad or another helpful individual.

Check In.

You will pick up your badge/credentials Friday, May 20 - 4-7PM at "Check In" at COSI.

Invention Model Size. Remember your model must fit on a table top and be no larger than 2 feet deep by 3 feet wide and 8 feet high. A backboard is not required.

Journal. You must have your journal.

Electricity. No electricity is available for any invention.

Normal parking rates apply on event day at COSI.

Evaluation of Student Inventors by the Judges

Each inventor will be evaluated twice – once each by two different judges during their designated judging time. (Please note: badge numbers identify WHERE each inventor sets up their invention. Badge color identifies WHEN the student inventor will meet with judges.) During the assigned time, students must be at their invention booth ready to talk with judges. If students are not at their booth during their assigned time they will be disqualified. If a team entry, All must be present at judging. Parents are not permitted in the invention area during evaluation. The judging rubric is as follows:

Judging Rubric	
25%	Communication
25%	Process
25%	Research
25%	Results

About the Judges

Our judges have been selected for their knowledge and interest, and represent business, education and the community at large. Some are inventors, but all are really nice people who care about your ideas. Be relaxed. Have fun. When you talk to the judges pretend you are talking to mom or dad. All of them are excited to be here to see your inventions and to meet you.

About Your Evaluation

The judges will ask you all about your project: 1) what the problem is, 2) how you found it, 3) what different ideas you thought of to solve your problem, 4) why you picked the one that is now your invention. They'll want to see your journal, and have you explain your model and show how it solves the problem. It'll be fun! After the judges talk with you, they will complete their evaluation form. The results are only used for the Invention Convention and will not be made public. Remember, you are not finished until you talk to two different judges. The decisions of the judges is final.

Awards Ceremony

The Awards Ceremony will be held at Main Stage where winners in each grade category, and the overall grand prize will be announced and scholarships awarded. **You Must Be Present To Win Your Scholarship. If you leave the premises, the next in line will receive the award.**

College Scholarships

Prizes are awarded according to the Official Rules for the Invention Convention. Awards will be made in 6 grade categories: Grades K-2; 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7-8. College scholarships are awarded the Ohio Tuition Trust Authority, Ohio's College Advantage 529 Plan. The highest scoring single invention at the convention, will be awarded the grand prize. "Team" entries divide prizes evenly among both team members. **You Must Be Present To Win Your Scholarship. If you leave the premises, the next in line will receive the award.** Additional prizes include \$50 savings bonds, \$500 College Scholarships by grade and several honorary awards.

Clean-Up and Departure

After the Awards Ceremony, inventors must remove their invention displays, (except for winners who are participating in media interviews). Any materials left behind will become the property of the Invention Convention.

Other Activities

While you are not being evaluated there are lots of activities for you to see & do. Check out the "Supporting Innovation Expo" sponsors who are there to support you.

Questions

If you have questions, visit the Help Desk or go to www.just-think-inc.com/event day.

There are no exceptions to the agenda or schedule for individual inventors.