## A Coordinator's Responsibilities

- 1. Register the membership with the national Odyssey of the Mind program.
- 2. Work with the membership's administrators to advertise the program to students, parents, faculty, etc. Your regional director can help with this by presenting an awareness session.
- 3. Attend one of the coordinators' meetings. READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY.
- 4. Sign up coaches and create teams. How teams are formed is up to each individual membership, but each team must have at least one coach; two is better. Your regional director can give you tips in this area.
- 5. Copy all information provided at the coordinators' meeting or online, and distribute it to coaches. Decide if each team is responsible for securing a judge and/or worker or if the membership will handle that. VERIFY THAT ALL COACHES, JUDGES, AND WORKERS ARE APPROVED VOLUNTEERS ACCORDING TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP'S PROCEDURES.
- 6. Provide your contact information in writing to the coaches so they can inform you of any questions, concerns, or issues that arise.
- 7. Make sure each coach has a copy of the Odyssey of the Mind Program Guide. The guides can be downloaded free from Odysseyofthemind.com.
- 8. Encourage all new coaches to attend one of the beginning coach's trainings. Ask all coaches to attend the refresher training. All coaches and teams would benefit from the spontaneous workshop.
- 9. Make sure each coach knows the official membership name and number. Give each coach a photocopy of the membership card when it arrives.
- 10. Distribute any information sent by the regional director prior to tournament day. Usually this information will arrive via e-mail.
- Collect all team forms, t-shirt orders, and registration fees prior to the respective deadlines. Use the information to register each team online at <u>www.floridaodysseyofthemind.org</u>. Send some forms and the t-shirt monies together to the regional director prior to deadlines.
- 12. Remind all coaches to attend the <u>mandatory</u> coach meeting and all judges to attend judge training. Be sure to thank and remind them frequently prior to the scheduled day.
- Encourage others from the membership to attend the regional tournament to support your teams. Make sure your membership has a banner for the awards ceremony.
- 14. Be ready to assist teams going on to state with hotel registration, state tournament fee, etc.