

# Destination ImagiNation

FAW is offering (for the 5<sup>th</sup> year!) as one of many enrichment programs,

Destination Imagination 2017-18!

Destination ImagiNation (DI) is a creative problem solving program/competition for participants ranging in age from elementary through college age. This program provides team challenges every academic year. DI incorporates a specific creative problem solving process into its training and competition that help our students learn and grow in new and exciting ways!

DI:

- ✓ Fosters creative and critical thinking
- ✓ Teaches and applies creative problem solving
- ✓ Develops teamwork, collaboration, and leadership skills

Where/When:

Teams meet at various times to satisfy the schedule of its members.

Competition: Regional-Saturday March 17, 2018

States (if team qualifies)-Saturday April 7, 2018

Globals (if team qualifies)-May 22-26 in Tennessee  
(team is responsible for financing any trip to Globals)

Who:

- team/s of 5-7 students from grades 3-8
- Mrs. Cacko will form teams based on interest, team managers, cooperative-learning abilities, problem solving skills, and teacher recommendation

Teams are comprised of students with parents/family members who are willing to help in some way. Please, consider which role you could fulfill: team manager (training required), assistant manager, team lead (each team may need several TLs), or team appraiser (training required). Three dates are available to choose from for appraiser training: dates are tbd but usually in January and February. Locations vary. Please fill out the attached sheet and turn into Mrs. Cacko NLT 28 September. I will be available on the evening of 28 September from 6:10-6:30 to answer any questions before the Middle School parents' meeting. Teams will be solidified by 6 October 2018.

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## Student/parent membership form

Student: Please review the team challenge information below. If your student is interested in participating in DI 2017/18, please select your top 3 choices of challenges in which s/he would like to participate.

### TECHNICAL CHALLENGE

The Technical Challenge prompts students to complete tasks by using engineering, research, strategic planning and related skills.

### SCIENTIFIC CHALLENGE

Our Scientific Challenge blends the research and curiosity of science with the thrill and creativity of the theater arts.

### ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

Our Engineering Challenge asks teams to design, build and test load-bearing structures out of specific materials.

### FINE ARTS

Our Fine Arts Challenge has students flex their acting and creative muscles as they experiment with different types of artistic media and theater arts, write scripts and design props.

### IMPROVISATIONAL

Our Improvisational Challenge is all about spontaneity and storytelling. Teams receive topics and produce skits right on the spot.

### SERVICE LEARNING / PROJECT OUTREACH®

Our Service Learning Challenge is designed to engage students in public service to address real-life community issues.

My student, \_\_\_\_\_, has read and chosen his/her top 3 choices for team challenge placement. No student is guaranteed their top challenge choice, however, we will do our best to place students according to their interests and abilities.

My student is most available (circle all that apply):

After school: M T W Th F

Weekends: Sat Sun

\*Team managers are willing to work with team members and sometimes schedules can shift to accommodate. However, please understand the commitment needed for a student to be a productive member of a competitive DI team. Regular attendance is crucial.

Parent:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, would like to participate in the following way:

- Team Manager \*
- Assistant Team Manager
- Team Lead (each team will need at least 3 of these)
- Team Appraiser (for the day of the competition) \*
- Competition day volunteer (~3 hours)

\*training required

No team may compete without a team manager, team appraiser and competition day volunteer. Our team/s will not function without any of the above at all! ;) I understand:

- ✓ I must attend training if I am to fill one of the 2 roles that require it.
- ✓ My student must be available the day of the competition, Saturday March 17, 2018 and any subsequent competition dates should our team advance.
- ✓ I must be a registered volunteer with FAW school.
- ✓ The team is responsible for registration fees and other incidentals including an upfront fee of \$30/student. Father Andrew White School will cover the fee for the team number.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*Please return this form to Mrs. Cacko on or before September 28, 2017. Thank you!**

Feel free to visit [destinationimagination.org](http://destinationimagination.org) or [idodi.org](http://idodi.org) for more information.