



# CreateME November 2016 Newsletter

## A Great Start



For the past several months we have been reporting on our outreach efforts in an attempt to grow the program and create a better experience for all participants. While it is still early in the year, it looks like we may be off to a great start. We have returning teams buying their challenge packets earlier than ever, and new teams from new places getting started. If you have not purchased your challenge materials yet, we urge you to purchase them as soon as possible. Although the registration deadline is not until January, the State Celebration will be earlier this year and, it looks as if there will be greater competition. Get your materials now and give your team as much time as possible to master their challenges. You can find information about purchasing challenge materials at <http://www.createme.org/index.php/get-involved/start-a-team/>

Let's make this our most creative year ever!

## Registering Your Team

Team Registration is now open and will close January 20, 2017. Even though you, or your coordinator, have purchased your registration number and challenge materials you still need to register with CreateME. In order to register you will need your registration number. This year CreateME is using an online registration system. Information and a link to the register can be found at <http://www.createme.org/index.php/tournament-registration/>

In order to help with this process we have a registration guide, which can be found on the site above. If you have any questions about registering, please contact us at [help@createme.org](mailto:help@createme.org).

## Team Managers – You are not alone!

Sometimes Team Managers feel like they are on their own, with no help in sight. This is especially true when they are new and learning about DI themselves. This is not case. CreateME wants to serve as a resource to all Team Managers. These Newsletters are one way we can provide information. In addition, our Team Manager contact Lorrie, [managerresources@createme.org](mailto:managerresources@createme.org) is another resource. If you have questions, she has answers. We encourage everyone to take advantage of the resources CreateME has to offer and to contact us with questions. We want you to have as great a year as your team.

## DI Events

In addition to the resources mentioned above, we are also offering several in person Team Manager and team training opportunities. These are listed on our calendar <http://www.createme.org/index.php/events/> and are open to everyone. Upcoming events include:

11/10/16 - Gray New Gloucester DI Family Fun Night – Dunn School New Gloucester Maine

11/12/16 – Instant Challenge Workshop & Team Manager Training – Washburn District High School

12/3/16 - Instant Challenge Workshop & Team Manager Training – Machias Memorial High School

1/20/17 – Registration with CreateME is due.

1/21/17 – Instant Challenge Workshop - Gray New Gloucester High School

2/25/17 - Northern Regional Showcase - Hampden Academy

3/4/17 - Southern Regional Showcase - Gray New Gloucester High School

3/18/17 - State Celebration - University of Maine Orono

You can find additional details and contact information about these activities and more on our calendar, <http://www.createme.org/index.php/events/>

If you are interested in holding an event, please let us know. We would be happy to help.

We hope to see you there!

