



SANGSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA'S ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

Join the **LARGEST** and **MOST CREATIVE** extracurricular program at Sangster!

Open to ALL grades, Kindergarten through 6th!

Odyssey of the Mind is an international, problem-solving competition that has rewarded students for imaginative thinking and teamwork for almost 50 years! Every year, children work on their creative thinking skills by joining a team to tackle fun short-term problem solving and one of six different long-term problems:

- **Vehicle Building**—Design, build, and operate various vehicles that can perform specific tasks before time runs out.
- **Engineering/Technical Performance**—Design and build an original technical creation that is used in a performance.
- **Structure Building**—Build a stackable, weight-bearing structure out of only light-weight balsa wood and glue.
- **Classical Performance**—Re-create a classic story with a modern theme based on classical literature, architecture, and art.
- **Theme Performance**—Develop a performance based on a specific theme and include special effects.
- **Primary** (*only open to younger grades*)—Create a humorous performance that involves moving scenery and props.

Students work in small teams of up to 7 kids each, grouped by grades and schedule availability, and all are coached by pairs of parent or family volunteers.

Teams generally practice once weekly from November to March to compete at a regional tournament just before spring break, and are eligible to advance to the state championship and world finals. Exact meeting schedules vary from team to team—some teams meet before or after school, while others are evening or weekend teams—all depending on coach and team member availability.

Please consider volunteering to co-coach when you register your child—it's fun, coaches' kids participate for FREE, and your schedule preferences will take priority when we form your team!

Please visit <WWW.ODYSSEYOFTHEMIND.COM> for general details,
or contact <SANGSTERODYSSEY@OUTLOOK.COM> with any specific questions. Thanks!

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND REGISTRATION

Please register online at

<https://forms.gle/aksNN5nyuGos2oLD6>

by [Friday, September 22.](#)

