



2020 Line Mountain Scholarship Application

Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind lost several members of its Odyssey family in a tragic accident in March 1998. Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind is proud to remember the young people from Line Mountain (**Chad Hain, Jason Herrold, Kip Snyder, Amanda Wehry, Toni Wehry, Tyrone Wehry, David Wiest, and Toby Wiest**) through the awarding of an annual scholarship of **\$2,500** dollars to one Pennsylvania senior who most nearly embodies the spirit of and demonstrates the creativity so coveted by Odyssey of the Mind. This scholarship will be paid directly to a post-secondary institution toward the student's tuition, room and board, or school-required fees. The scholarship is not based on financial need or academic performance. It is designed to allow students to demonstrate those talents, abilities and most of all, the CREATIVITY that PA Odyssey of the Mind values and cultivates in its participants.

Applicants must meet the following qualifications:

- Has been a member of any team(s) that has participated in regional competitions for three years or more. At least two of those years must have occurred in Pennsylvania.
- Application is not restricted to current year participants. Documentation of participation is required.
- Is a high school senior or high school student who will be attending any postsecondary institution for the next academic year, allowing for students who will graduate early and not return to high school.
- Is continuing his/her education and presents written acceptance from a postsecondary institution for an academic year within one year of the date of high school graduation.
- Displays the spirit of Odyssey of the Mind and submits a letter from a coach or membership contact person describing that spirit.
- Solves the following problem.
- In the event that the recipient cannot use the scholarship, it will go to a second choice applicant.
- Applicant must include valid e-mail address and phone number with submission.

PROBLEM: “Lights, Camera, OMER!”

OMER is ready for his big break, and he needs your help! He wants to create a commercial to showcase the Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind program to the world, but he doesn't have an OM-azing director to make his vision come to life. That's where you come in! Using your creativity, you must plan and create a 30-second commercial that showcases the best aspects of Odyssey of the Mind to both current and future OMers. Keep the viewers entertained and wanting more by incorporating a catchy OotM jingle as well as at least one visual representation of Odyssey of the Mind. It should also include the program's name and a brief description/explanation of OotM. Remember: this commercial should be able to be understood by people who have never done, nor heard of Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind!

Your commercial must have the following requirements:

- Be no more than 30 seconds in length
- Include the name “Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind”
- Include at least one visual representation of an aspect of Odyssey of the Mind
- Include a brief explanation of Odyssey of the Mind
- Include a catchy jingle of any length
- **CANNOT** show the name and/or appearance of the applicant, past and present teammates, or coaches/judges involved in the program (Everything must be completely anonymous!)



The problem will be judged on:

- Uniqueness
- Creativity and effectiveness
- Is it understandable to a non-OMer? (Does your commercial make sense?)
- Quality of commercial
- Is it compelling? (Does your audience stay engaged from beginning to end?)

There will be no clarifications for this problem!

Digital Submission Format Requirements:

Please use the following formats based upon the type of submission!

- **VIDEO:** MP4, MOV
- **PHOTO:** JPEG, PNG, GIF

Submission Process/Review Process:

Solutions must be submitted to the committee by **11:59pm March 21, 2020**. All submissions will become the property of Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind. Please include all materials for your application.

All submissions will be reviewed by the selection committee, which is comprised of members of the Creativity Unlimited in Pennsylvania (CUinPA) Board and OotM alumni representatives around the state. The winner will be notified by the CUinPA Association Director on or before **March 31, 2020**. Presentation of the scholarship will be at the Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind State Finals Tournament at Lock Haven University's Campus on **April 4, 2020**.