



PENNSYLVANIA ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

State Finals Tournament Needs

Timing

- Friday evening and Saturday in early to mid April, with a backup/snow date if possible
- Friday night: 4 PM to 9 PM (setup)
- Saturday: 6 AM to 5-6 PM for most areas – until 8 PM for Awards Ceremony site

Facilities

Awards Ceremony

- 1 gymnasium or large indoor space – total 2,500-person capacity including floor seating
- Audio visual support such as sound/PA system and video screens/projection if available
- Folding tables and chairs
- Can also be used as one of the long term competition sites throughout the day

Long Term Competition Sites (at least 8 total locations)

- At least 5 – gymnasiums, or large group instruction (LGI) rooms ideally with tile flooring
- At least 3 – auditoriums or lecture halls
- Hallways and/or rooms adjacent to each competition site for storage of team props
- Temporary unloading entrances near each competition site
- Chairs for spectators, and chairs and tables for judges at each competition site

Spontaneous Competition

- 20 total classrooms or meeting rooms in one area, with a single entry point
- Desks or tables with chairs in each room

Cafeteria/Dining Hall(s)

- Breakfast and lunch food service for up to 2,500 people (staggered lunches)
- Separate lounge/seating area with food service for ~250 volunteers (staggered lunches)

Additional Facilities

- 1 large room or lobby with several tables – Merchandise sales
- 1 large classroom or computer lab – Score room / tournament management
- 2-3 classrooms or meeting rooms – Team photos, structure problem weigh-in, advancing coaches meeting
- Lobby area for team registration/check-in/information tables

Additional Support

- All facilities must be ADA accessible
- Parking including approx. 500 cars and 50 buses and box trucks
- Security, traffic management, custodial support where applicable
- Nurse/EMT
- Local organizations can fundraise and/or provide volunteers
- Colleges/universities can provide tours/presentations to high school students