

## **Tournament Contingency Plans, 2020**

If SCSU is closed or inaccessible on March 21<sup>st</sup>, CTOM's 2020 tournament will be moved to Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> and will operate under a modified schedule

In the *unlikely event* that CTOM is unable to conduct the state tournament on March 21<sup>st</sup>, CTOM coaches and town coordinators will notified via email as soon as the decision is made. There will also be notices placed on the <u>CTOM website</u> and on <u>Facebook</u>. *The comments below apply only if CTOM's tournament closure procedure is invoked:* 

- CTOM will email all coaches and town coordinators with updated plans and schedules as soon as they have been determined.
- Communications throughout the weekend will be via email and website updates check both frequently.
- Coaches should keep in close contact with team parents, team judge, and team volunteer.
- Performance times may be different from Saturday's listed times, but we will try not to make them more than one hour earlier than the scheduled time. It is likely performances will be later than originally scheduled. We will try to follow the same order of performances but be prepared to be flexible.
- CTOM will not be able to accommodate any team-specific special scheduling requests and will not be able to respond to emails requesting changes.
- There will be no closing ceremony and no entertainment.
- Posting of scores on the website may be delayed up to 48 hours.
- Medals will be mailed to coaches.
- Score sheets will be mailed to coaches.
- There may be no food/coffee available at SCSU. Be ready to bring your own or buy it off campus.
- Merchandise will still be sold during hours to be determined.
- Coaches should have their teams practice performing both the long-term problem and spontaneous with absent team mates (a good idea in all cases because illnesses and emergencies do occur).
- Coaches will be asked to have parents in attendance perform simple tasks such as door holding.
- The SCSU STEM Festival will not occur.
- In the event the tournament is cancelled midway through the day without all teams in a certain problem and division performing- no medals will be awarded, and no teams will be sent to World Finals, but scores will be emailed to performing teams. The remainder of the

tournament will not be made up. If, however, all teams in a given problem and division have competed, medals will be awarded and invitations to World Finals will be made.

- Teams should leave campus immediately upon completion of their long-term and spontaneous performances.
- Arrive early and plan to walk because some parking areas may be inaccessible.
- Be prepared for delays, the unexpected and the need to improvise.
- Be patient, helpful and flexible and the tournament will go on!
- Please note that regardless of these proposed contingency plans, CTOM reserves its right to make decisions, in its sole discretion, that protect the fairness and integrity of the competition. CTOM decisions will be final.

## If SCSU is also closed on Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

- The tournament is canceled.
- Teams will receive refunds in accordance with CTOM's Refund Policy.
- No teams from Connecticut will be eligible for World Finals.