



Odyssey of the Mind: 40 in 40th Campaign

This is an exciting season for supporters of New York Odyssey of the Mind. This year marks NYSOMA's 40th anniversary. The inaugural NY State Tournament was held in Binghamton, New York in 1979. The 2019 NY State Tournament, in Binghamton, will be a celebration of 40 years of creative problem solving.

Region 19 is starting the festivities early by launching a 40 in 40th Campaign, meaning that the goal this season is to host 40 teams at the Regional Tournament on March 2, 2019 at Wellsville Middle/High School. To celebrate NYSOMA's 40th anniversary, Region 19 will party like it's 1979 all season long with extra incentives and fun activities.

Opportunities for support and training will be offered to all teams and coaches, as well as additional experiences like buddy teams and Spontaneous Zoom practices. Training sessions can be scheduled "virtually" and in person at school districts.

Do you know of a school district that:

- wants to strengthen their STEAM initiatives for students in grades 4-12?
- wants to join Odyssey of the Mind, but doesn't know how to get started?
- dropped Odyssey, but wants to get re-established?
- already participates and wants to try a new problem or add another team?
- wants to offer Odyssey of the Mind to younger students, grades K-3?
- has staff, parents, or community members who could coach an Odyssey team, but need support and training?

This IS the year to make it happen. Regional Odyssey experts will provide the help needed to meet the school districts' goals and ensure an unforgettable experience for Region 19's creative minds.

For information about Odyssey of the Mind, visit odysseyofthemind.com and nysoma.org.

To get involved in Odyssey of the Mind in Region 19, email or call jean.oliverio@caboces.org or 716-376-8323.

For information about partying like it's 1979, show up at Wellsville Middle/High School on Saturday, March 2, 2019 and see for yourself.

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Creativity and problem-solving at Seneca/Salamanca Odyssey of the Mind:

