

**Florida Future Problem Solving Program
State Competition 2010
Registration Information**

- The following people are eligible to participate at state competition
 - All coaches with teams competing in qualifying competitions
 - Coaches bringing students for Alternate or Individual competition only
 - All coaches with scenario submission
 - All coaches with CmPS projects
 - Certified Evaluators who participated in qualifying round (booklet, scenario)
- All registration forms may be found on line at www.flfsp.org
Please download those forms applicable to your school

All competition REGISTRATIONS must be received by Friday March 12, 2010.

- FEES should be made payable to Florida Future Problem Solving Program (FLFSP)
& must be received no later than March 20.

(Fee includes following: Registration fee, Program Insurance, & Lunch on Mon. 4.12.10)

- Send to Dianne Zahrly

Space Coast Participants - Brevard Co courier, Dianne Zahrly @ Meadowlane Primary
All others Mail to
Dianne Zahrly,
215 Bry Lynn Dr.
West Melbourne, Fl. 32904

or FAX to – (321) 984-0187

** Faxes accepted except for Required Contracts below **

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

- ALL REGISTRATION for sleeping rooms MUST BE FAXED to Radisson Resort at the Port (321) 783-7718 using the provided form. If you do NOT know names of all the occupants of each room, do not delay registrations; use name(s) you know for submission to reserve each needed room. Your confirmation will be faxed to you in two working days.
- You must meet the deadline set by the hotel, March 12, in order to receive the secured rate of \$109.00 and to ensure rooms at the facility where all events will occur.
- The maximum number of people per room is 4; rollaway cots are \$10.00 and must be requested prior to arrival.
- In order to avoid payment of tax you must provide school's *tax exempt certificate and pay by school check*.

- Please contact Dianne Zahrly (dianneatflfsp@bellsouth.net) with any special concerns or problems.

**** REQUIRED CONTRACTS**

Students' and parents' signed behavior contracts and publication releases must be completed and originals sent with your state registration forms. If you choose to send your registration forms by fax, you must mail or bring your original contracts to State competition. **Remember:** These forms are **mandatory** for participation not only for state competition but are also required for the International conference as well.

T-SHIRTS

T-shirt sales provide the students with a memory and enable us to raise adequate money to fund our scholarship and state functions. Pre-sale of shirts is necessary so that we will have the appropriate number and sizes. Please note the deadline for orders and use the provided form.

T-shirts will be distributed out of the FPS store.

FLFPSP STORE AT STATE

The Florida FPS store will be open during state competition. This is place to pick up T-shirts, make quilt donations, check lost and found, and buy special FPS souvenirs and gifts

COMMUTER FEE (teams traveling to and from site each day)

A fee of \$50.00 will be charged for each team that will not be staying at the hotel. These teams will be competing in a large room with the alternate teams.

LUNCH (April 12, Monday, 12:00 - 12:30)

Lunch for Monday is included in the registration fee. Students and adults will have lunch before reporting for Presentations of Action Plans (Skits) and evaluation.

Details for lunch pick-up will be provided at the coaches' meeting on Monday, 4/12.

FPS REGISTRATION ON SITE (April 11, Sunday, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.)

Coaches pick up registration envelope at FLFPSP registration table in the foyer of the convention center and must provide the hotel room number(s) where the teams will do booklet competition on Monday morning.

T-shirts will be distributed at the FPS store located in the Nassau room.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please complete and submit volunteer form provided in Registration Packet.

Judges for Presentation of Action Plans (Skits)

As always, we are looking for the right persons to evaluate the teams' presentations. Persons with past experience or with similar experience in personal life (drama teachers/ speech coaches/ instructors/ etc.) are excellent.

Skit Presentation Workers

Adults who will be attending the event can work as timers, door monitors, or calculators during the skits in the room in which their teams are presenting.

Additional Monitors

Adults who are not representing a team as a monitor but are willing to assist as needed for monitoring of teams or individual or alternate competition rooms.

OPENING CEREMONY (Sunday, 7:30 p.m.)

Each school attending the competition should have a student representative ready to present a school banner as schools are recognized at this time. Students should design and prepare the banner ahead of time so that it can be displayed at the Opening Ceremony. We do not have permission to hang banners at hotel after the Opening Ceremony.

MANDATORY MONITOR MEETING (Mon., 8:00 a.m.)

Each team MUST provide a monitor. A meeting will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Monday. All monitors MUST attend. Identification badges will be provided for all monitors. We will go over the instructions in detail and then send monitors to the room where the team they will be assigned to monitor will be waiting to compete. After booklets are completed and returned to the evaluation coordinator, each monitor will meet with their school team he/she is to chaperone for the remainder of the event. Chaperones are expected to be with and responsible for teams while coaches evaluate booklets.

BOOKLET WORK (Monday, 8:45 - 11:00 a.m.)

Teams will do booklet work in the hotel room where they are staying. A monitor identified by badge from another school will be sent to each room with the competition booklet.

Individual Competition will be in the Jamaica room.

Alternate and Commuting teams booklet work will be in the Pavilion.

MANDATORY COACH/EVAL. MEETING (Monday, 9:00-11:00 a.m.)

The Coach/Evaluator meeting will be on Monday morning while the booklet competition is taking place. All coaches and evaluators must attend. We will have a short general information meeting followed by preparation for evaluation. Persons not in attendance will not be prepared to begin the evaluation process that afternoon, so it is important that all persons attend. Please share this information with any persons acting as evaluators for your school.

EVALUATION (Monday, 1:00 – until dismissed; Tuesday, as assigned)

In order to ensure competency of evaluators, all coaches participating at this level must have completed the certification process. If you are not certified and you plan to represent your school as an evaluator, please notify Wanda Gray at once. (Wandafps@aol.com). Do not take the chance of your team or students being denied the chance to compete.

****ALL COACHES** must participate in the evaluation process.

PRESENTATION OF ACTION PLANS (SKITS) (Monday, 1:00 - 5:00)

Presentation guidelines and official prop list are provided in your 2009-10 Coaches Manual. Please read over the guidelines carefully, make copies for your teams, and make sure to pay close attention to the allowed materials and time limit for presentations.

Presentations will be performed on Monday afternoon. After a short break following first round of presentations, finalists from each room will be posted. Final round competition will be held following posting of advancing teams.

SCENARIO WRITING COMPETITION (Tuesday, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.)

We will be conducting a Scenario Writing Competition for students who submitted a scenario at the state level. Writers will be assigned to a group and will create a writing following the guidelines of the International Scenario Group Writing Competition.

COMMUNITY PROBLEM SOLVING INTERVIEWS & FAIR (Monday evening & Tuesday)

All participating CmPS teams and individuals will showcase their projects and undergo the interview process. Awards and invitations to International Competition will be decided at state competition. Projects will be on display for the public. Interviews will be scheduled and distributed to CmPS coaches. CmPS fair times will be posted in the program.

PARTNER EXHIBITOR'S FAIR (Monday Evening)

On Monday evening there will be a Partner Exhibitor's Fair for all students, coaches and parents to attend. These partners will share resources and network with us to grow our Problem Solving Community and collaborate with other agents of change. This is our first exhibitor's fair. Please attend and think of other community based organizations, government agencies and corporations that you can refer to join us. We are hoping that this Fair as well as an upcoming VIRTUAL Fair soon to be accessible through FPS websites will spread the word about our outstanding FPS programs.

CIRCUS MAXIMUS (Tuesday, 1:00 - 4:30)

We hope to once again have the additional spontaneous competition. Teams must be registered on the form found in registration packet in order to participate. Each team **MUST** have an adult worker. This event depends on adult volunteers.

DANCE WITH DJ (Tuesday evening)

Please encourage students to take part in this social event. This is a great time for the students to meet & mingle! If your school will not be attending the dance please contact Dianne Zahrly.

AWARD CEREMONY (Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. - 1:00)

Awards will be presented at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Check out should be completed before this time.

Persons advancing to the International Competition **must** stay for a brief meeting (30 minutes) to receive invitational packets, complete International Conference forms, and pertinent information concerning the International Conference.