



NORTH CAROLINA ODYSSEY OF THE MIND 2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind (NCOM) is pleased to announce two college scholarships available to current and/or former Odyssey of the Mind participants. Each scholarship is a one-time scholarship of \$1,000. Recipients must demonstrate creative problem-solving skills as well as outstanding sportsmanship, perseverance, and teamwork skills. To be eligible for the NCOM Scholarship, you must:

- Have participated for a *minimum* of one year in Odyssey of the Mind from team creation through competition.
- Be a high school senior with plans to attend college, university, or a vocational school in the fall of 2017 **OR** be a full time student currently enrolled in a college, university, or vocational school.
- Not be a previous Odyssey of the Mind scholarship recipient.

~~~~ TO APPLY FOR AN NCOM SCHOLARSHIP, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING ~~~~

Mail to the address listed:

1. Your NCOM Scholarship Application Form (pages 2-3 below).
2. A **Personal Inquiry** response to **ONE** of the following three questions. Your response may take any form, format, or style you wish but please limit your response to no more than two pages double spaced.
  - a. How has Odyssey of the Mind affected / influenced your life?
  - b. Describe your most memorable Odyssey of the Mind experiences. How will your experiences continue to be a part of your life?
  - c. What personal characteristics have you developed from your involvement in Odyssey of the Mind? How will you further develop those characteristics?
3. **ONE** letter of recommendation from an **Odyssey of the Mind** coach, limited to one page, double spaced. The letter should address the student's creative problem-solving skills, spontaneous problem solving ability, and teamwork and leadership skills. Please use the attached form.
4. **ONE** letter of recommendation from a school official (high school administrator, teacher or counselor, or college professor or advisor) limited to one page, double-spaced on current school stationery. The letter should address the student's creative problem-solving ability, sportsmanship, perseverance and teamwork skills. Please use the attached form for reference.
5. Copy of high school transcript (for high school applicant) **and** college transcript (for college applicant)

**ALL** supporting information **MUST** be returned with the application. **MAIL** all materials to:

**Pamela Norton**  
NCOM Scholarship Committee  
103 Oakland Drive  
Black Mountain NC 28711

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ALL INFORMATION IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017.** The NCOM Scholarship Committee will notify winners by **March 25, 2017** and will *request* the winners attend the State Finals Competition at North Carolina A & T in Greensboro, NC on April 1, 2017. Applications which are received **after the deadline** or **incomplete** will **not be considered**.



# NORTH CAROLINA ODYSSEY OF THE MIND 2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_ Check one: \_\_\_\_ 12th grade \_\_\_\_ College

## I. Personal Information:

GPA (on 4-point scale): \_\_\_\_\_

Current class rank / number of students in class: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

For high school applicants: What college/university/ vocational school do you plan to attend?

What is your planned field of study?

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For college applicants: What is your current field of study?

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## II. Odyssey of the Mind Involvement:

How many years have you participated on an **Odyssey of the Mind** team? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently on an **Odyssey of the Mind** team? \_\_\_\_\_ If "No", are you *currently involved* with a team? (Circle – Yes or No) If "Yes", in what capacity?

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Have you or your team received a **Ranatra Fusca** or **Omer Award**? (Circle –Yes or No)

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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List the long-term problems(s) in which you have participated *as a team member*:

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List the long-term problems or **Odyssey of the Mind** events in which you have participated *other than as a team member*. Describe your involvement.

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- Attach:**
- **Application Form** (page 2 & 3 of this document)
  - **Personal Inquiry Essay** (page 4 of this document)
  - **Official Copy of Academic Transcript(s)**
  - **Letter of Recommendation from OotM Coach** (page 5 of this document)
  - **Letter of Recommendation from School Official** (page 6 of this document)

Include all supporting information with your application. **Your submission must be received at the address listed by close of business February 28, 2017.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**To all scholarship candidates:** The members of the **NCOM** Board thank you for your involvement in the **Odyssey of the Mind** program. We hope you continue to be involved so other North Carolina students will have opportunities to experience *“life on the Odyssey of the Mind stage.”*

**III. Personal Inquiry:** Respond to **one** of the following questions in any form, format, or style you wish but please limit your response to **no more than two pages**, double-spaced.

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- b. Describe your most memorable Odyssey of the Mind experiences. How will these experiences continue to be a part of your life?
- c. What personal characteristics have you developed from your involvement in Odyssey of the Mind? How will you further develop those characteristics?

**(Attach additional pages if needed.)**

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**To be completed by Odyssey of the Mind Coach**  
*(If you are forwarding a typed page, please attach it to this sheet)*

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

The above-named student is applying for a scholarship from **North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind**. Please discuss the student's creative problem-solving skills, spontaneous problem-solving ability, and teamwork and leadership skills.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

