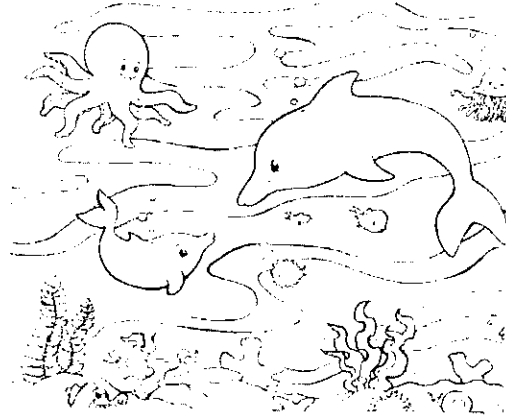


September, 2018

Dear Students and Parents,



The Nonpublic School Services of the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV in cooperation with Butler Catholic School cordially invites you to step on up and complete the attractions of the 2018 Challenge of Champions Problem Solving Competition for fourth through eighth grades to be held at Butler Catholic School on Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

This year's competition "Challenger Deep" will allow you to show your skills as you complete different activities. The activities will be in the areas of language arts, logical thinking, math, visual discrimination/reasoning, and a cooperative obstacle course.

The competition will consist of grade level teams formed from various schools competing in all six events. At no time will a student be singled out for an answer. Teamwork is strongly encouraged in every event.

Every year we ask for volunteers to help run the different events. **This year we are requiring that volunteers that are out of high school get their State Police and Childline clearances.** Both of these can be done online and you should get the results back online. There is no charge for these for volunteers. Once the clearances are received, there needs to be a copy on file at your child's nonpublic school. If you have volunteered in your child's school before, you may already have them. Without volunteers helping, we could not do the Challenge of Champions. **Your help is greatly appreciated.** It is not hard to help with an event and it is fun. Remember if you go, there is not much that you can see because parents are not allowed in the events to watch. Attached is a sheet requesting your help and included is a list of the events. You may pick the event that you would like to help with. We will do everything in our power to schedule you for that event. Older siblings in ninth grade or above may also help judge.

The Midwestern Intermediate Unit purchases all participants a t-shirt. Please indicate what size your child would like. Remember if your child signs up he or she is making a **commitment** to be there. When the students do not show up, the teams that they were on are penalized because each event is set up for teams of 10.

If you wish for your child to participate on November 10, 2018, please sign the attached permission slip. Also, if you can help that day, please indicate on the parent form. **Return by** SEPTEMBER 20, 2018, to school.

Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV

Challenge of Champions Committee

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_ YL, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL (**Students do not have to pay for their shirts.**)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I permit my child to participate in the Challenge Event

\_\_\_\_\_ (parent name)

## Parent Volunteers

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Clearances** sent to school \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ being processed and will send when received

\_\_\_\_\_ Chaperone – Escorts the team through the school for the entire day to the six different events, break and a lunch break. Please pick an event in addition because we usually have an abundance of people wanting to chaperone

\_\_\_\_\_ Judge-Supervises an event. Check which events you are interested in judging:  
**Number (1, 2, 3) your top 3 choices.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Creature from the Deep Blue Sea** - Use building materials to make an undiscovered sea creature.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Mobi** – math activity.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Diving Deep into Descriptions** – using 25 words or less to describe 5 given words

\_\_\_\_\_ **Paddling into Picture Puzzles** – finding differences between 2 pictures and putting cut-up picture parts in the correct order.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Reeling in the Rhymes** – word activity.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Commotion in the Ocean** – cooperative obstacle course (on feet all day)

\_\_\_\_\_ Score Room

\_\_\_\_\_ **CAFETERIA HELP**