

TO: OHIO FUTURE CITY COMPETITION
FR: BEXLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL FUTURE CITY TEAM—2006
RE: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR'S TEAMS

ON THE SERIOUS SIDE:

1. ALIGN YOUR COMPUTER CITY'S CONSTRUCTION WITH THE EVALUATION GRID.
2. BE CERTAIN THAT YOUR ESSAY AND ABSTRACT *EXPLICITLY* RESPOND TO THE PROMPTS.
3. DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PRESENTATION THAT ADDRESSES THE KEY COMPONENTS THAT ARE THE FOCUS OF THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION IN CASE JUDGES ASK ABOUT OTHER PARTS OF COMPETITION.
4. PROVIDE A CREATIVE ELEMENT IN THE PRESENTATION.
5. DRIVE THE MODEL, IF THAT IS POSSIBLE; BE PREPARED TO STORE IT IN YOUR ROOM [CONSEQUENTLY, IT MUST FIT IN THE ELEVATOR.]
6. CREATE A FLIP CHART THAT COMPLEMENTS YOUR PRESENTATION-- NOT DETRACTS FROM IT. (EX, EXTRA-ACTIVITY, CONTINUOUS FLIPPING OF CHART PAPER, SMALL TEXT/IMAGES)
7. PRACTICE; PRACTICE; PRACTICE.

ON THE PERSONAL SIDE:

1. BRING BREAKFAST AND SNACK ITEMS; THE HOTEL IS SOMEWHAT EXPENSIVE.
2. PACK A REPAIR KIT—FOR THE MODEL AND FOR CLOTHES (THREAD AND NEEDLE, ETC.)
3. RESEARCH WHAT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO DO IN D.C. WHILE YOU ARE THERE; THEN PLAN WHEN THAT BEST FITS THE SCHEDULE.
4. BRING SOMETHING TO EXCHANGE WITH THE OTHER TEAMS AT THE "MIXER." EX) OHIO LAPEL PINS EX) BUCKEYE (THE NUT OR THE CANDY)