



To: NM MESA Advisors

From: Anita Gonzales, NM MESA Program Coordinator

Re: NM MESA Innoventure State Competition Registration

Date: February 9, 2010

WHAT IS INNOVENTURE:

Innoventure is a program and competition that is a partner organization of NM MESA. Students will be able to create a prototype and business plan in an effort to create an “innovative” product as outlined in the Innoventure Handbook. The partnership allows NM MESA students and schools to participate in Innoventure events as outlined. As a note, because this is a partner organization, Innoventure may have separate events, registration procedures, and requirements. NM MESA will coordinate events, MESA participation, travel, lodging ONLY as outlined below. This is a year-long commitment to the Innoventure project. The stateside competition is only available to those that have qualified for the State Event past the Fall Qualifier Round. If you do not register through NM MESA by the given deadline, NM MESA WILL NOT pay for any expenses. For more information and complete event guidelines on Innoventure, please visit their website at www.innoventurenetwork.org.

TEAM BENEFITS (What NM MESA will pay for):

- Transportation to (1) the State Competition (March 11, Hotel Encanto, Las Cruces). *NOTE: Teams may be asked to “car/bus-pool”*
- Lodging (as needed and approved) for distant schools traveling more than (2) hours to the State Competition. Lodging fees will be \$20/competing student, free for registered/official team advisors in a shared room, and (1) bus driver as applicable. Lodging is only provided for competing students, registered team advisors, and bus driver. All else will need approval.
- Innoventure will provide lunch the day of competition.

TEAM REQUIREMENTS (What each program needs to do to get benefits):

- Complete the electronic registration as outlined below no later than February 26, 2010 at 5PM.
- All students that NM MESA will be paying for MUST be NM MESA students in good standing, be entered in the NM MESA database, and have all paperwork submitted.
- Each team must be register on the Innoventure site and follow all future instructions given by Innoventure.
- Complete all requirements for participation (Fall Submittal, blogs, etc.)

SAMPLE OF WHAT NM MESA DOES NOT PROVIDE:

- Any additional stipend(s)
- Additional food costs or lodging fees
- Any other costs associated with attendance

REGISTRATION PROCESS:

- The NM MESA Website: <http://nmmesa.org> (Advisor Section, Events & Registration Link, Innoventure 2010) will have a link to the summary page AND registration, but you are ONLY to register if you are a qualifying team. A list of qualifying teams is also available on the website.
- On Line Registration will collect all teacher information, student information, lodging information, and travel information (B-4). So please have all information needed to complete registration including student names, transportation vendor information, etc.
 - *NOTE: For this event, transportation will be consolidated so please contact your Regional Coordinator to see if they will be arranging transportation for you, if you need to share, etc. This will dictate what option you choose during registration.*
- Per Innoventure Guidelines, Each advisor can only work with a maximum of (2) teams. (1) Registration will need to be completed by the primary advisor that will be working with the team(s). *Example: If a school has (4) teams*

they will need at least (2) primary advisors so that school will have at least (2) registrations. Do not complete a separate registration per team if the same advisor(s) are sponsoring, ONLY if there is a different advisor/set of advisors. A registration can be done for up to (2) teams of 3-5 students each if it is the same advisor.

- Once registered you will receive a confirmation email and number which will allow you to modify or cancel your registration. Modifying includes adding/removing/changing students or advisors and any other changes to your registration. This email will also direct you to the event summary website which will contain all information needed for attendance including maps, agenda, lodging information, payment information, parking instructions, etc. **SAVE THIS EMAIL AND VISIT THE EVENT WEBSITE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND UPDATES!**
- State Competition Registration/Modification-Only available for teams that met the 1st deadline and qualified to attend the State Competition. Registration opens February 9th for State Competition Attendance and will have a final deadline for registration, modification, or cancellation of **February 26, 2010 at 5 PM**. All lodging fees need to be submitted by March 1, 2010 and are NON-REFUNDABLE.

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