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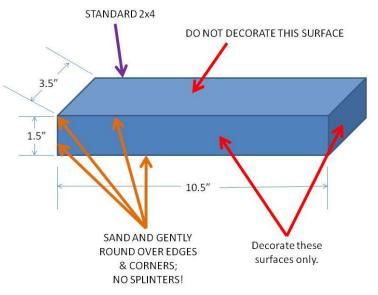
The TSA State Officer Team would like to invite all TSA members to participate in The Great Jenga Block Event!

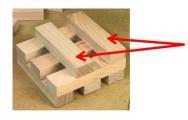
This year at the 2012 TSA State Conference, the State Officer team will host the First Annual Giant Jenga Tournament! All State Conference attendees are encouraged to participate in the tournament which will feature giant Jenga blocks! Participants can sign up at the conference in teams of up to four members – all of which must be from the same school – and will compete for the honor of being named the 2012 Colorado TSA Giant Jenga champs! The event is *FREE* and will be held during the social on February 10, 2012.

WHAT IS THE BLOCK EVENT?

A unique feature of the tournament will be the Giant Jenga sets used. The State Officer team has requested that EVERY Colorado TSA chapter donate *at least* nine (9) decorated game blocks to make the Giant Jenga sets! Nine blocks can be made from a single 8-foot 2"x4". Can a chapter submit more than nine blocks? ABSOLUTELY! The State Officers intend to have several Giant Jenga sets to use in the tournament at the state conference – so the more blocks we have the better!

Each of the blocks should be decorated with your school's colors, mascot, logo, chapter's team members' names, etc. The decoration is up to you – but the decorations should be specific to your chapter! The specific instructions on the size of the blocks and the location of the decorations on each block are below:





DO NOT decorate the top or bottom surfaces of the blocks! These should only be sanded smooth and should remain unfinished.



Decorate *only the edges* and the ends of your blocks. Feel free to use your school colors, logos, mascots, etc. Make the blocks unique to your school!

Make sure the edges of the block are slightly rounded and smooth. NO SPLINTERS!



GREAT BLOCK EVENT CONTINUED

Even if you don't plan on attending the State Conference in February, the State Officer Team still wants you to participate in the event by donating blocks!

According to the State Officer team, "The purpose of having chapters contribute personalized blocks signifies that while each of our TSA chapters may look slightly different, together, we are very similar and all fit together to build a strong organization. Our goal is to have every single Colorado TSA chapter submit blocks for this special event!"

HOW IS THE GAME PLAYED?

A single Jenga set is played with 54 wooden blocks. In a regulation set, each block is three times as long as it is wide, and one fifth as thick as it is long. In the case of the Colorado TSA's Great Block event, a 2"x4"x10.5" block will be perfect!

To set up the game, an initial tower has 18 levels of three blocks placed adjacent to each other along their long side and perpendicular to the previous level (so, for example, if the blocks in the first level lie lengthwise north-south, the second level blocks will lie east-west).

For the Colorado TSA event, once the tower is built, a coin toss will be made to determine the team who moves first. Moving in Jenga consists of taking one and only one block from any level (except the one below the incomplete top level) of the tower, and placing it on the topmost level in order to complete it. Blocks may be bumped to find a loose block that will not disturb the rest of the tower. Any block that is moved out of place must be returned to its original location before removing another block. The turn ends when the next person to move touches the tower or after ten seconds, whichever occurs first.

The game ends when the tower falls in even a minor way—in other words, any piece falls from the tower, other than the piece being knocked out to move to the top. The winner is the last person to successfully remove and place a block.

The tournament will be bracketed and initial matches will be determined at random.

HOW DO WE PARTICIPATE?

For the Block Event:

Each chapter creates their blocks using the attached specs. Sand the block smooth and gently round over all corners and edges. Decorate ONLY the sides and edges – be creative and use your school colors, logos, mascots, team member's names, etc. Make it unique to your chapter!

When your blocks are completed, call Tony Raymond, TSA State Advisor, at 720-858-2794 and the state officers will make arrangements to make a school visit to pick up your blocks. Your blocks will then be incorporated into the Jenga sets that will be used at the tournament. The blocks will kept at the State Office to be reused from year to year.

For the Tournament at State:

To play, teams can sign up to participate in the Tournament during registration at the 2012 State Conference (no preregistration is necessary). Teams will be randomly bracketed. The tournament will be held at the social on Friday night after our banquet session. The winner of the tournament will be announced at the Awards Ceremony on Saturday where we will award the traveling trophy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information, please contact Tony Raymond, Colorado TSA State Advisor, at tony.raymond@cccs.edu or by calling (720) 858-2794.