

Florida Future Problem Solving Program





2020 New Year's Newsletter Happy New Year to all!

January 15th has arrived and here's what's due:

Global Issues: Final registration of all Teams and Individuals – complete the

registration form from our website under "Documents &

Downloads" and email it to Deb

Scenario Performance: Registration & payment. The video is due on March 11th.

Scenario Writing: Registration, payment, both cover sheets, Permission to Publish

form, and the scenario (12-point font, double-spaced in Word)

Community Problem Solving: Progress Report & payment. Final Report & Addendum will be due

on March 11th.

T-Shirt Contest: Email the B&W drawing to Mary – see the attached flyer for more

info.

Research & Practice for the Qualifying Problem:

All of the **Suggested Readings** for researching this year's topics are available <u>HERE</u>

Please pre-screen the articles before releasing them to your students.

When you registered, you received the **FPS International Key Tips**, which are extremely useful in practicing the 6-step problem solving process!

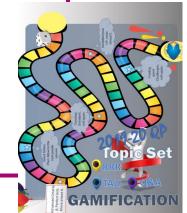
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This year Future Problem Solving International is offering a topic unit

that includes the

Readings, Research & Resources (RR&R)
RR&R Q&A (including the Quizlets password)
and the Topic Activity Unit

If you haven't already purchased your RR&R this year, be sure to check out **Gamification** at FPSPIMART.ORG



Feel free to use the power points on our website to explain the finer points of each step to your students - go <u>HERE</u> and download **GIPS Steps 1-3**, which focuses on Practice Problem #1 tips, and **GIPS Steps 4-6** to review the remaining steps.

I will be sending an alternate **Gamification** future scene to all registered Coaches this weekend. It is not age-division specific, nor is it as focused as the actual future scene will be. It's provided for you to be able to practice with your teams and individuals before the competition.



We're almost done evaluating Practice Problem #2 and all of the booklets will be returned ASAP. I'll include a copy of the FPSPI Evaluation Notes for you to review with your students – especially as it helps to explain the evaluation results.

Please let us know if you have questions about the evaluations – we're working toward a state-wide consistency.

And don't forget to thank your District Representatives – they **volunteer** for this out of love for what the program does for all of (y)our young people!

I'm looking forward to seeing you all soon at the Qualifying Problem District Competitions!
Best wishes and Happy Future Problem Solving,

Deb



NOTE:
The more steps in which you become certified to evaluate, the more effective certified to evaluate, the more effective vou'll be as a coach! Request a certification packet from your District Representative to certify in additional steps.



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Florida Future Problem Solving's, T-Shirt Design Contest



Would you like to see your student's design on this year's Florida FPS Affiliate Competition T-shirt?

To enter the contest:

- 1. Draw a black line design that shows your idea about what this year's motto/theme for the t-shirt should be. Brainstorm and think futuristically for the theme/motto for 2020. Try to use a flamingo in your design!
- 2. We are able to use pink, green, black and 2 other colors. Be sure to include a description of how your design should be colored.
- 3. Send your black line drawing, its color description, and motto to:

Mary Krause Westside Elementary School 2175 De Groodt Rd. SW Palm Bay, FL 32908

Or as an attachment to:

Mary.Krause50@gmail.com

Be sure to include:

Your name and grade, Your school's name and address Your Coach's name

Contest ends on January 15, 2020

The winner will receive a waived Affiliate Competition registration fee
and a gift certificate to the FL FPS Store!
The winning designer's coach also receives a free t-shirt.

We reserve the right to alter the design to fit our specific format if necessary.