

OFFICIAL TRIVIA-UNPLUGGED CONTEST RULES & INFORMATION

- Each team may have ten (10) players playing at any one time.
- Active players on a team will be at a table in the "Competition Room" at the Ramada Inn & Convention Center. Questions will be asked each hour and you will have the length of 1 song to answer each question.
- Teams will be provided answer sheets for each question. You will also be provided with pencils and scratch paper. At the end of each question, answers will be collected and brought to the scorekeeping area.
- There are no books, no computers, no notes, no paper of any kind, no telephones, no communication devices or any other items we deem undesirable allowed in the Competition Room. Cell phones will be collected if brought to the Competition Room.
- REPEAT: NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE ALLOWED IN THE COMPETITION ROOM. If the phone in your pocket rings, not only will you be embarrassed, but your team will also be disqualified.
- The members at the table can talk amongst themselves to discuss the answer. No outside help is allowed.
- At the end of the question, the question and answer will be read, and the next question will be asked.
- If you leave the Competition Room during a question, you may only re-enter upon the end of that question.
- Other players and observers will be in a separate "Spectator Room". Substitutions are encouraged at the end of each hour, when there will be a five to ten minute break. However, substitutions are allowed during the hour, provided there is no active question at the time of substitution. Substitutions of this type are recommended for emergency situations only. Badges must be passed to the substitute by the player leaving the Competition Room. No players are allowed into the "Competition Room" without a player badge.
- The Competition Room will be monitored for any violations of these rules. You will have the choice to comply with the rules or leave the Competition Room.

The contest will begin at 3:00 PM and last until 9:00 PM. All proceeds will go to the Arts Alliance of Portage County. Team registration will be in advance and the day of the contest. The cost is \$160 per team in advance and \$180 the day of the contest.

Registration forms will be available online after August 1st. Forms may be filled out and mailed to the Arts Alliance. Forms must be postmarked no later than September 17th. On September 25th, registration will begin at 1:00 PM. You may enter the doors to the Convention Center directly next to the south parking area. Teams who have registered may also pick up their team badges and rule books at that time. Parking will be available at the South parking lot, entry on Prentice Street, adjacent to the Convention Center at the Ramada Inn. Registration ends at 2:30 PM with the contest beginning at 3:00 PM. At 2:40 PM, the Competition Room will be opened and team may find their tables. Again, players may not enter the Competition Room without a team badge.

Team totals will be announced at the beginning of each hour after the break. At the end of the contest, there will be an awards presentation, and mixer until about 10:00 PM. As usual, the contest will be family oriented and John and I will be writing questions that test what you know, not what you can Google or find in your notes, or books.