

# Washington FPS

FROM THE AD'S DESK  
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Here are two videos to share with your students for PPI E-Waste.  
Left: The Circuit: Tracking America's Electronic Waste  
Right: How It Works: Computer Recycling

Hello,

I'm excited about the first topic of the year, E-Waste, and hope that you are looking forward to diving in with your students as the year starts. The practice problem requires the first three steps only: the challenges, the underlying problem and the solutions. Completing this practice problem helps your students by reviewing just the first three steps or by learning a small portion of the entire process.

This year's Future Problem Solving topic descriptors can be found in last month's newsletter or on the website under the [Coaches tab](#), along with links to the suggested readings.

For those of you who are interested in coaching Community Problem Solving, FPSPI has created a course of virtual lessons that show you (or your students) how to develop the skills necessary to complete a successful CmPS project. The course, Introduction to Community Problem Solving Projects, is available for purchase at the [FPSPI website](#) for \$95.

I hope to see all of you at our first zoom meeting for coaches on **October 5 at 7 p.m.** A zoom link will be sent, along with more information closer to the date.

If you know students who participated in FPS and are now in college and you think that they may be good candidates for evaluators, please give their contact information to Ann Foreyt ([ann.foreyt@gmail.com](mailto:ann.foreyt@gmail.com)).

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## CHANGES FOR 2022-23

This year there will be two major changes.

**CmPS:** Both Community Problem Solving teams and individuals will compete against one another, so there will not be separate team and individual competitions.

**Scenario Writing:** There will not be an intermediate step in Scenario Writing between the Qualifying State scenario write (due in January) and the International Competition in June. In the past, winning scenarios have been entered into the ISWC and winners of that competition have been announced in April. This year, there will be no International competition in March; however, Washington state will be allotted a certain number of International Conference slots and those slots will be filled by our State scenario winners. Those students will then be invited to IC and will compete there.

## CMPS CURRICULUM FROM FPSPI

Instructor  
Caitlin Hutsell

Category  
Uncategorized

### Introduction to Community Problem Solving Projects

52 Weeks    Beginner    10 Lessons    10 Quizzes    4 Students

FSPI has created 10 lessons, including 10 quizzes, in an Introduction to Community Problem Solving Projects online learning course for students and/or coaches.

Students completing the course will:

1. Understand and be able to implement the Creative Problem Solving process
2. Develop their writing skills
3. Gain experience with critical and creative thinking
4. Build the background needed to compete in the Community Problem Solving component of Future Problem Solving

Students will record their work in the CmPS Student Notebook which includes embedded activities in each module.

There are 10 modules in all. This online learning course can be purchased through [FPSPI here](#) for \$95.

## NEW ZOOM MEETINGS FOR COACHES



This year, zoom meetings for coaches will be held after each practice problem. These meetings are designed to strengthen best practices for coaches by allowing coaches a chance to ask questions, discuss, and learn from each write.

The year will start with a “kick-off” session on Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. Normally, these zoom meetings will be *after* each write. This first meeting will be before the first practice problem is due on Oct. 20. So, bring your questions, and we’ll see you on Oct. 5!

## NEW TO SCENARIO WRITING OR PERFORMANCE?

Thinking about coaching Scenario Performance or Scenario Writing? Check out the links on the website that will launch the winning Scenario Performances for 2021-22!

Or thinking about a student who would like to write a scenario? For a mere \$5, you can download last year’s winning top three stories for all divisions from the website under “Register” and choose the product 2022 Scenario Winning stories. Need more examples of winning stories? There are also downloads for 2021 State Bowl Scenario Winning Stories and 2020 State Bowl Winning Stories to use as examples.

## COACHING RESOURCES

All coaching resources, including forms, can be found and downloaded from the WAFPS website, for all components. Each year the International Office sends new forms to your Affiliate Director, who updates the coaching resources on the WAFPS website by early August.



## 2022-23 REGISTRATION FEES

Take advantage of **early registration fees** for 2022-2023 by registering before September 30.

GIPS Teams \$195 (prior to September 30: \$180)

GIPS Individual \$120 (prior to September 30: \$105)

Scenario Writing \$55 (prior to September 30: \$45)

Scenario Performance \$55 (prior to September 30: \$45)

CmPS Individual \$120

CmPS Team \$130 for a three-person team, and \$15 for each additional team member over the first three students.

Continuation of a CmPS Project from prior year \$30

A \$15 late fee per team or individual will be assessed after November 30.

Register online at [wafps.org](http://wafps.org)

## Important Dates

2022-23

Sept. 30: Last day for Early Registration

Oct. 5: Coaches Zoom Meeting 7 p.m.

Oct. 20: PPI Due Date, Topic: E-Waste

Nov. 7: Coaches Zoom Meeting 7 p.m.

Nov. 18: CmPS Project Proposal Due

Dec. 5: Last day to register & be evaluated for PPII

Dec. 9: PPII Due Date, Topic: Digital Realities

Jan. 17: Scenario Writing Due Date

Feb. 2: QP Due Date, Topic: Robotic Workforce

Feb. 6: Scenario Performance Due Date

Feb. 17: CmPS Project Report Due

March 6: State Bowl Registration Due

March 22-24: State Bowl, Warm Beach, Topic: Throw Away Society

June tba 2023 International Conference



### FINAL WORDS FROM THE AD'S DESK

What do you think is the most important step in the Future Problem Solving Process? Most experienced coaches will tell you that writing an Underlying Problem that positively impacts the Future Scene is essential. However, being able to tie all the team's solutions to that UP is a step that can make or break a booklet.

For answers to other questions relating to FPS, please tune in to the first coaches meeting on October 5.

Please call/text (509) 386-6297 or email me ([jbuissinkwafps@gmail.com](mailto:jbuissinkwafps@gmail.com)) any time you have questions.

Next Up in October: **Coach Submission Instructions and more...**

***“To develop the ability of young people globally to design and achieve positive futures through problem solving using critical and creative thinking”***

**—FPSP Mission Statement**