

World Series of INNOVATION

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Overview

Are your students ready to think big and solve the world's most critical challenges? The Imagination League, is the perfect opportunity for them to think creatively and develop solutions to critical global issues like climate change, poverty, and inequality. As part of the World Series of Innovation (WSI), this track invites students aged 5-12 to work individually or in teams to innovate in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This experience not only fosters entrepreneurial thinking but also gives students the chance to make a real-world impact—and potentially win cash prizes! Encourage your students to join us in shaping a brighter future for everyone.

Competition Components



Presented By:









WSI Imagination League (Ages 5-12)



Entry

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER

Sign up to compete, build your online entry, and submit your idea any time Sept 11– Dec 8 at innovation.nfte.com Judging

JANUARY

Judges finish scoring entries and determine the Top Three entries in each challenge category. These are our winners!

Winners

FEBRUARY

Prizes valued at \$1,000 are awarded to the entire winning class, program or individual, including a party and gifts.

Submission Format

Who is having a problem?	What is the problem?
What is the solution to the problem?	How will the solution work?
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Program Content

DNA of an Entrepreneur

Students will be introduced to the entrepreneurial mindset and then practice thinking and acting like an entrepreneur to solve a problem.

Design Thinking

Students use their entrepreneurial mindset skills to solve problems for a specific customer through a business solution.

Four box storyboards aligned to design thinking process

- Empathize (customer)
- Identify problem
- Ideate solution
- Prototype/Model solution

Emphasis on creativity and innovation through design thinking

Ideation & Sources of Opportunity

Students learn techniques for seeing and experiencing problems as opportunities to create solutions.

Resources

- The World Series of Innovation has a robust set of toolkits with all the resources needed for program execution:
 - Toolkit for Competitors
 - Toolkit for Educators/Community Partners
- Students have the opportunity to be coached by challenge sponsors before finalizing their submission.

Contact Us

For more information about bringing this program to your community, email





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The World Series of Innovation introduces young people to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, giving them an opportunity to explore ideas of social and environmental justice while using entrepreneurial skills to develop solutions to the most serious challenges facing humanity.

To date, nearly 32,000 young people from more than 77 countries around the world have participated in the innovation challenge.

Program Summary

Program Requirements and Recommendations

- Tracks:
 - WSI Imagination League (5 -12)
 - WSI Impact League (13-24)
- Teams can have 1, 2, 3, or 4 members
- Requires computer and internet access for research
 and submission
- Subject fit: Business, Career and Technical Education, Entrepreneurship and Marketing, or Social Studies

Student Competition and Extended Program Opportunities

- Winning teams in each challenge category receive cash prizes
- Students who complete the challenge are
 encouraged to participate in other NFTE programs

Volunteer Support

- Volunteer judges from sponsoring companies select winners using a scoring rubric
- Volunteer coaches support students as they build their competition submissions
- Challenge sponsors host Innovation Day events to engage students with community volunteers

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WSI Impact League (Ages 13-24)



Entry

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER

Sign up to compete, build your online entry, and submit your idea any time Sept 11–Dec 8 at innovation.nfte.com

Judging

JANUARY

First round judges finish scoring entries and determine the Top Ten entries in each challenge category. These are our finalists!

Entry

FEBRUARY

The Top Ten teams record 1-minute video pitches to wow the judges during the final round of competition, which concludes LQ February

Finals

MARCH

Final round judges determine the top three entries in each challenge and award prizes to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.

Previous Challenge Winners

- Micro Hydro Home, a hydroelectric generator system. Developed by 14-year-old Leyla Parsi and 15year-old Riya Aswani of the Brentwood School in Los Angeles, CA.
- Robin Food, a bidding system to help food banks manage inventory. Developed by 17-year-old Robin Ye and 17-year-old Bryan Ng of the Hwa Chong Institution in Singapore.
- Loop Tee Loop, a sustainable clothing loop uniting textile manufacturing and recycling. Developed by 21-year-old Ernest Bernstein Zarate, 21-year-old John Kevin Genova, and 21-yearold Clarence Louise Caperal of Far Eastern University in Manila, Philippines.

For more challenge winners, visit https://innovation.nfte.com/results

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