

***Future City Competition
2010 Judges Guide
Colorado Regional Supplement***



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Greetings

Hello Everyone,

My name is David Davenport and I am coordinating judging activities for the 2010 Colorado Regional of the Future City Competition. First of all, I would like to say thank you for stepping up to the plate to help with this year's competition. We are expecting up to 30 teams of seventh and eighth graders to be present with their city model and their presentation hoping you choose them to be the one.

Competition Mission Statement

The mission of the National Engineers Week Future City Competition is to provide a fun and exciting educational engineering program for seventh- and eighth-grade students that combines a stimulating engineering challenge with an inquiry-based application to present their vision of a city of the future.

BENEFITS OF THE NATIONAL ENGINEERS WEEK FUTURE CITY® COMPETITION:

The program offers students a fun way to learn about engineering and cities of the future while at the same time developing academic skills.

The National Engineers Week Future City® Competition provides a platform for students to increase their:

- Logical thinking skills,
- Problem-solving skills,
- Ability to work in teams,
- Research and technical writing skills
- Oral presentation skills,
- Application of coursework to practical problems,
- Technological skills, and
- An Awareness of community and business issues on the local and global levels.

Competition Information:

Location (Tentative):

New Hope Baptist Church
3701 Colorado Blvd
Denver, CO 80205-3877
303-322-5200

Mapquest Link:

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps/map.adp?address=3701%20Colorado%20Blvd&city=Denver&state=CO&zipcode=80205%2d3877&country=US&title=%3cb%3e3701%20Colorado%20Blvd%3c%2fb%3e%3cbr%20%2f%3e%20Denver%2c%20CO%2080205%2d3877%2c%20%20US&cid=lfmaplink2&name=>

Find the main competition desk and check in. They should have your name on the check-in list.

Tentative Timeline:

Saturday, January 23, 2010

Judges Training	7:45 AM - 8:30 AM
Opening Session	8:15 AM - 8:30 AM
Round One and Special Award Judging	8:50 AM – 11:30 AM
Regional Finals	12:30 PM – 3:10 PM
Awards Ceremony	3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Please note that we are currently expecting to be able to provide lunch for competition judges. Also, there are several vendors along Colorado Boulevard south of the church where you can get lunch in addition to what is provided by the competition and for family members and friends not participating in the competition, but present showing their support anyway.

Your commitment:

Essay Judges

As an essay judge, you will be reviewing the student's essay. This year's topic is ***“Providing an affordable green living space for people who have lost their home due to a disaster or financial emergency.”*** Please review **pages 8-10 and 30-33 for Essay Rubrics / Forms and pages 34 for City Narrative** of the Judges Manual to learn more on the topic. When essays are submitted to you for judging, we will provide more details on exactly how to judge the essays. We will also provide the time line and the process of how you will submit your information back to us. This judging will occur between January 13 and January 22, 2010, prior to the competition.

Competition Day and Finals Judges

As a competition judge, you will be reviewing the students' model, and then listening to a presentation made by the students. During the training sessions, I will point out items to look for in each model. Also, we will be providing you with a list of questions from which you will be required to ask at least three to each team. Your judging team will consist of three to six members. You will need to spend at least fifteen minutes with each student team. Time will fly by quickly. We will have timers on hand to assist you with tracking time and collecting score sheets.

The Colorado Regional will consist of two rounds and a special awards judging session. All judges will be needed for Round One (8:50 – 11:30 AM) of the competition. We will need as many judges as possible for the special awards session (8:50 – 11:30 AM). We will need six judges for the Regional Finals (12:30 – 3:10 PM).

All judges are encouraged to attend the awards ceremony, estimated to start at 3:30 PM. We encourage you to come between 2:30 and 3:00 PM, as we will start earlier should judging sessions finish quickly.

Training:

We will do our formal training the morning of the competition, starting at 7:30 AM. It will take approximately 45-55 minutes to complete. Training will include a brief history of the competition, information on competition format, and some last minute tips to help you choose this year's Colorado Regional winner.

We will provide you with all the necessary items to judge the competition.

We will provide you a copy of the judge's manual on the day of the competition, but you are encouraged to view the online edition prior to the competition. You can review the judge's manual online at:

http://www.futurecity-co.org/2010_Judge's_Manual.pdf

I recommend that you read the following sections of the manual in preparation for the competition:

- Your Role as a Competition Judge and Competition Structure (page 3)
- Completing the Score Sheets (page 5)
- Essay Judging Information (pages 8-10, 30-33) – Essay Judges Only
- City Narrative (Page 34) - Essay Judges Only
- City Model Score Sheet (pages 18-22) – Competition Day Judges Only
- Team Presentation of City Design and Model (pages 23-27) – Competition Day Judges Only
- Sample Judge's Question (page 28-29) – Competition Day Judges Only

All other information will be provided on competition day.

You can contact me with questions at 720-985-5327 or fcjudge@futurecity-co.org. You can also get more information on the Colorado Regional including updates made after this document was created at our website – <http://www.futurecity-co.org>.