

# Future City – North Texas Competition Day Overview

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# 4 Orientation Webinars

- This presentation covers:
  - -Regional Competition Event
  - Process and procedures for competition day
- Orientation Basics
  - Basic information about FCC
  - -Rules, procedures
  - Deliverables
- Orientation Annual Introduction
  - Information specific to this year's program
  - Information specific to the North Texas region
- Orientation Model slideshow
  - Pictures of models from regional and national competitions



# Agenda

- Schedule of events
  - -Where you need to be and when
- Team check-in
- How the judging works
  - Preliminary presentations
  - -Special awards
  - Final round
- What happens between judgings
- Awards





# Day-of Event Info

- NTX Regional Team Center Day-of Info page
  - -www.dfwfuturecity.org/team\_info.html
  - Model drop-off and check-in information
  - Parking
  - -Rules & procedures
  - Schedule of events





### Schedule of Events

Friday

-4-7pm Team check-in (most teams)

Saturday

-7:30-8:15am Team check-in (final opportunity)

-9am-1pm Preliminary round presentations

Special Award judging

1-2pm Walk-around model viewing (vote for best model)

-2pm Announce finalists

-2:10-4pm Final round presentations

-4-5pm Awards ceremony



## Schedule of Events – FC Junior

Saturday

-12-12:45pm Jr Team check-in

-1-2pm Walk-around model viewing and voting

-2-3pm Junior model judging and Q&A

-4-5pm Awards ceremony



### Team Check-in

- Friday evening (4-7pm)
  - All teams\*
    - · All team members need not be present for check-in Friday evening
- Saturday morning (7:30-8:15am)
  - -For teams unable to check-in Friday
- Bring with you to Check-in:
  - Model with ID card
  - Presentation aids
  - -Expense Form
  - Media Waiver Forms



### Team Check-in

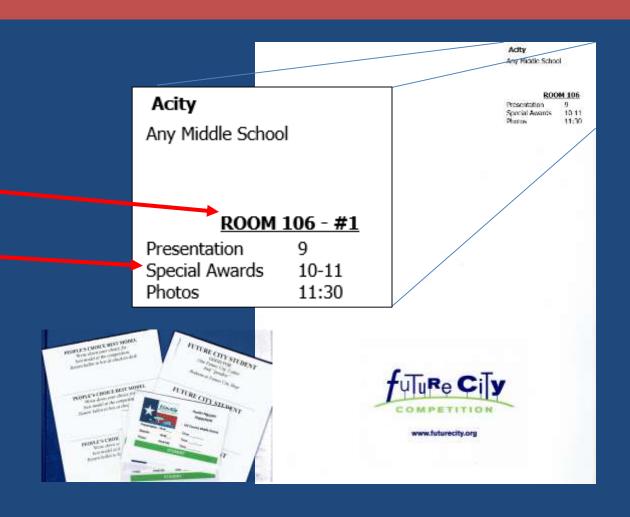
- Building access and parking
  - Download map from Day-of Info webpage
- Drop-off model in designated area
  - Drop-off only
  - Long-term parking elsewhere
- Follow signs to check-in area
- Check-in desk
  - Park your model on a nearby, empty table
  - -Get in line at the check-in desk
    - Turn in Media Waiver forms (if not already submitted online)
    - Other forms stay with model





### Team Check-in

- At check-in you will get:
  - 1. Folder with schedule, program, rules, student survey forms
  - 2. Room assignment for prelim round
  - 3. Assigned times for:
    - Prelim presentation
    - Special awards judging
    - Team photo
  - 4. Student badges
  - 5. Student gift chits
  - 6. Ballots for "best model" voting
  - 7. Team name sign





### **Note on Presentation Times**

- Times are assigned on first-come, first-served
  - You will have some (limited) input on presentation time
  - -Special award judging times are fixed by room assignment
- Educators with multiple teams
  - -Limit of 8 teams from one school
  - It may not be possible to avoid overlapping presentations
    - · Consider bringing additional adults (mentors, teachers, parents) to help
  - Do not expect to be able to attend all presentations and special award judging sessions
  - Do plan time for team pictures



## Special Note – Potential Conflicts

- Duke Talent Search SAT (7<sup>th</sup> grade)
- UIL competitions
- Options for those with conflicts
  - -Notify Regional Coordinator ASAP
    - Limited number of late Prelim Round presentation times (12-1pm) allocated on firstcome, first-served basis
  - -Arrange for other team members to handle Special Awards judging Q&A
  - Promote alternate team members to presenters



### Once you have checked-in

- Take your model to assigned room
  - Volunteers will help you find the room
- 5-7 teams/model assigned to each room
- Place model on the assigned location with:
  - Model ID card attached
  - Team name sign (received with check-in materials) on or next to model
  - Expense Form and Visual aids next to model
- Make any repairs or adjustments to model
  - There is also time Sat. morning (7:30-8:30am) to make repairs
- And, that's it ...
- Make sure all team members know judging times and where to be on Saturday
  - And, that they get their badges, goodie chits, and best model ballots



### **Educator and Mentor Check-in**

- Saturday, 9-11am
- Educator check-in packet
  - -Survey
  - -Badge
  - -Chit for "thank you" gift
  - -Lunch tickets and information
    - Tickets provided for official team members (3 students, educator, mentor)
    - Additional lunches can be purchased on-site
- Mentor
  - -Survey
  - -Badge
  - -Chit for "thank you" gift

# Judging – Preliminary Round





# Judging – Pre-Event

- Virtual City, City Essay and Program Plan
- All judges will be engineers and technical professionals
- All deliverables will be judged by 3-5 individuals, scores averaged
  - Virtual Cities (SimCity) judged Dec-Jan
  - -Essays judged Dec-Jan
  - -Judges download deliverables and upload their scores
- Average scores for each deliverable are added to get composite score



# Judging – Models & Presentations Preliminary Round

- 8-10 rooms for preliminary round presentations
  - -Scheduled in parallel
  - -Panels of judges in each room
    - 1 room manager
    - 3-4 judges per panel
- Team presentation every 30 minutes
  - Assigned presentation time
  - -Present once
- Judges score
  - Models
  - Presentations





# Preliminary Round – Get Ready

- Gather the team and be ready, waiting at assigned room 5-10 minutes before your scheduled presentation time
- When called into the room
  - Room monitor will greet you and explain the process
  - Move your model to the front table in the marked location
  - Set up visual aids on the easel
    - · We provide 1 easel. If you need 2, you must bring one of your own.
  - Give your Expense Form to the Room Monitor
    - Room monitor will also measure your model and time your presentation
- After the Presentation and Q&A
  - Judges will thank you for your work
  - Move your model and visual aids back to your assigned location in the classroom
  - Team and audience quietly leaves room



### **Presentation Timeline**

- Presentation timeline (30 minutes)
  - -Judges will spend about 5 minutes studying the model and asking questions about it
  - -Room monitor will signal you when to begin the presentation
    - You have 7 minutes (max) to complete your presentation
    - Room monitor will time the presentation
  - After presentation, judges will ask questions
    - 5-7 minutes of Q&A (for total Presentation + Q&A = 15 minutes)
  - -Judges will spend 5-10 minutes completing scores





## Preliminary Round – Audience

- Official student team members (3) only for Presentation and Q&A
  - -Parents, educators, mentors, and alternate team members cannot actively participate
- Audience
  - Educator, mentor and alternate team members
  - -Family, guests may watch (quietly)
    - No classmates, competitors, children < 6 years old</li>
    - Educators if you don't recognize an audience member, notify the Room Monitor
  - -No in/out once the judging has started





### What are Special Awards?

- Special Awards are
  - Sponsored by engineering organizations
  - Recognize innovative work in special areas
- We present 20-25 special awards
  - -Examples:

Best Essay Best Model

Energy Efficiency Best City Design Excellence in Quality Green Concepts

See <u>www.dfwfuturecity.org</u>: "about us" – "past competitions"

- Prize includes
  - Plaque-certificate
  - Gift cards for 3 student team members
  - Check for the school/organization \*

\* (depending on level of sponsorship)



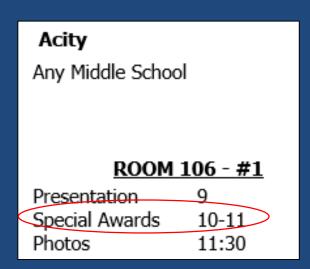


#### When

- Morning, during Preliminary round period
- Each room will have a assigned SA judging period (1 hour)
- Student teams report to model ON TIME
- All student teams will be in room with their model

#### Who

- Team members only
  - No friends, family
- Students (only) stand by model
  - 3 students (max)
  - Alternates may stand in for 1 or 2 team members
  - Same 3 team members throughout the SA judging
- Educator (1) and mentor (1) may stand *quietly* along the wall
  - · Adults spectate, not participate





#### How

- Two rooms and two teams of judges
  - · Spend 30 minutes in each room
- -Judges circulate the room
  - Group of 2-3 judges will talk to each team
  - Each group will spend ~3-5 min. with each team
  - Then rotate to next team/model





- How
  - Teams
    - Informal Q&A
    - No special presentation necessary
    - Prepare by
    - Looking over category/topic areas
    - Understanding your design & tradeoffs



# When you are not being judged



### **Team Photos**

- Team Picture, 9am-1pm
  - Assigned time
  - -Whole team reports to the FC photographer for team photos
    - Official team
    - Any additional team members



#### **Acity**

Any Middle School

ROOM 106 - #1

Presentation 9
Special Awards 10-11
Photos 11:30



### Atrium – Team relaxation area

- Team relaxation area in Atrium
  - Engineering challenge activities
  - Games available for check-out
- Future City shop
  - Redeem your chits for FCC goodies
  - Goodies for sale (at cost)
- Lunch available in cafeteria11am-1pm
- Fill in and return your FC survey

- Please Do Not
  - -Go above the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor
  - Tie up the elevators
  - Move office furniture (e.g., no chair races)



### Team lunch

- Lunch is available in café in University Center, 11am-1pm
  - -We provide tickets for official team members (3 students, educator, mentor)
    - Tickets in educator check-in package
  - All other friends and family may purchase lunch in café (~\$7-8)
- You may also do lunch on your own
  - Several nearby restaurants and fast-food outlets
- You may take the lunch break whenever is convenient between judging sessions



# Model viewing – Voting for Best Model

- 1-2pm Walk-around, Model viewing
  - All classrooms open for model viewing
  - Students vote for "People's Choice Best Model"



# Judging – Final Round



## Judging – Announce the Finalists

- 2pm Auditorium
- Announce finalists
  - -Based on cumulative score on all deliverables
- Top 4-6 teams will advance to finals
  - -Only one team per school may advance
- Finalist teams
  - Meet outside auditorium to draw number for presentation order
  - Move model to tables outside auditorium
  - Teams will be sequestered in atrium until time to present





# Judging – Final Round

- Final round same as preliminary, except
  - In auditorium with audience
  - -Special panel of celebrity judges
  - Presenters will use microphones
  - Carry over scores from Virtual city, Essay, Program plan
  - Re-judge model and presentation
- Non-finalist teams may
  - -Stay and watch finals
  - Adjourn to atrium and relax
  - -Leave <u>but return for Awards</u> <u>Ceremony</u>



# Awards Ceremony





## Awards Ceremony

- Immediately following the Final Round (4pm)
  - In auditorium
- Special award presentations
  - Sponsoring organizations present awards
  - -20-25 special awards
- Junior Competition awards
- 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> place awards
- Lots of awards mean teams have a good chance of winning something
- Please, in consideration of our sponsors, attend the ceremony
  - At least one representative of the team
- If you leave before Awards, check-out at the desk
  - We reserve the right to re-assign any award for a team not attending the ceremony





# When you win an award

- When we call out your team name
  - All team members come up on stage
    - Students, educator, mentor and alternates if you choose
  - -We will present the prizes
    - Prizes are awarded for the official team members only
  - -Photographer will take pictures
    - Parents, friends, etc. are welcome to also take pictures
- After receiving your award
  - -Please return to your seats



### **Awards and Prizes**

### **Special Awards**

- Plaque-Certificate
- Gift cards
- Check for organization \* (\* depends on sponsor)



### Junior Awards

- Plaque-Certificate
- Gift cards



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Places

- Medals
- -Gift cards
- Check for organization

#### 1st Place

- Trophy
- Medals
- Gift cards
- -Check for organization
- -Trip to Washington, DC



# No One Walks Away Empty-Handed

- Each student team member receives:
  - Certificate of accomplishment
  - T-shirt
  - -Other FC "goodies"
- Educators and Mentors receive:
  - -T-shirt
  - Thank you gifts
  - -Team pictures
  - -Copies of judges comments





### Educators – Final Checklist

- Pick up your Educator Packets in Atrium
  - -Team pictures
  - Certificates of Accomplishment
  - -Judges' comments (if any)
- Pick up and take with you all of your team(s), model(s) and presentation materials
- Make sure you have all:
  - -Jackets, gloves, scarves, etc.
  - -Student goodie bags
  - Materials and repair kits
  - -Any other items you brought to event



## Lastly – the scores

- Scores for all teams will be available online the next day
  - Educators: log in, score overview menu
  - Overall score summary, preliminary round
    - And composite score for top 5 teams from the preliminary round
  - Scores for each deliverable and comparison to region average

#### Texas (North) Region Competition Preliminary Round Score Sheet Summary Sociecity

City Name:	Sociecity	
School Name:	West Ridge Middle School	
Team's Region:	Texas (North) Region (TXN)	
Points Scored:		
1. Virtual City Design:	0-48 points):	44.3 56.3
2. City Essay: (0-60 por		
3. Project Plan: (0-10)	oints):	10.0
4. City Model: 10-70 pc	ints);	66.7
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6 Competition expens	form missing (15 Points)	0
7 Receipts missing fro	its earned)) v form missing (15 Points) n competition expense form (5 Points)	
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10Model exceeded all	wed dimensions (15 Points)	0
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TOTAL SCORE (Maxim	un = 258 points)	239.7
Scores of top five tea	rw: 1st : 239.667 2nd : 231.250 3rd : 231.000 4th	: 224.750 5th : 223.667



## Regional Committee

Regional Coordinator

**Judging Coordinator** 

Mentor Coordinator

**Event Coordinator** 

Photos, Prizes

Special Awards

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