

# TOP 300 SENIFINALISTS 2016

# **About Broadcom MASTERS**

Broadcom MASTERS® (Math, Applied Science, Technology and Engineering for Rising Stars), a program of Society for Science & the Public, is the premier middle school science and engineering fair competition.

Society-affiliated science fairs around the country nominate the top 10% of sixth, seventh and eighth grade projects to enter this prestigious competition. After submitting the online application, the top 300 semifinalists are selected. Semifinalists are honored for their work with a prize package that includes an award ribbon, semifinalist certificate of accomplishment, Broadcom MASTERS backpack, a Broadcom MASTERS decal, a one year family digital subscription to *Science News* magazine, an Inventor's Notebook and copy of "Howtoons" graphic novel courtesy of The Lemelson Foundation, and a one year subscription to Mathematica+, courtesy of Wolfram Research. In recognition of the role that teachers play in the success of their students, each semifinalist's designated teacher also will receive a Broadcom MASTERS tote bag and a one year subscription to *Science News* magazine, courtesy of KPMG.

From the semifinalist group, 30 finalists are selected and will present their research projects and compete in hands-on team STEM challenges to demonstrate their skills in critical thinking, collaboration, communication and creativity at the Broadcom MASTERS finals. Top awards include a grand prize of \$25,000, trips to STEM summer camps and more.

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## **2016 Broadcom MASTERS Semifinalists**

Students are listed in order by home state, fair, and name of school based on information provided by each student in their entry. Students listed under the state fair may also have qualified through their regional fair. Students conducting team projects were eligible, but each student individually entered and was judged based on the submitted written entry. The grade listed for each student is from Spring 2016. **\*Semifinalists nominated by regional and state fair**.

Alabama	
USAL03	Oakwood Adventist Academy Jayden Elliot Vanterpool (7th Grade) Madison, Alabama Silver Nanoparticles Can Decrease the Function of Enzymes in Pathogenic Bacteria
USAL50	East Limestone High <b>Jackson MacMillan Stapleton (8th Grade)</b> Athens, Alabama <i>Farmers Meet Drones</i>
Arizona	
USAZ03	Agua Caliente Elementary School <b>Karah M. Mayer (6th Grade)</b> Tucson, Arizona <i>How "Sense"ible Is Your Spelling? The Effect of Auditory and Tactile Senses</i> <i>on the Ability to Spell 10-Letter Words</i>
	Dodge Middle School <b>Addamae Elizabeth Root (8th Grade)</b> Tucson, Arizona <i>Ocean Acidification Negatively Affects Seashells</i>
	Doolen Middle School <b>Ava Isabelle Galbraith (7th Grade)</b> Tucson, Arizona <i>Landscape Shifts: Revegetation After Catastrophic Fire with Climate Change</i>
	Emily Gray Junior High School <b>Emily Lynn Ignatoff (7th Grade)</b> Tucson, Arizona <i>Locked Out! Does Frustration and Time Limitation Affect Accuracy?</i>
	Vail Academy and High School <b>Matthew Lane Fosdick (8th Grade)</b> Corona, Arizona <i>The Creation of a Superior Hybrid Sorting Algorithm Based on the</i> <i>Time-Efficiency of Heapsort, Quicksort and Mergesort Algorithms</i>
USAZ50	Arizona College Prep – Oakland <b>Anish Puri (6th Grade)</b> Chandler, Arizona <i>Heat of Reaction – The Effect of the Strength of the Acid to Base Ratio on the</i> <i>Heat Generated by the Reaction (Enthalpy of Neutralization)</i>

	BASIS Chandler <b>Anish Raju (8th Grade)</b> Chandler, Arizona <i>Phi and Fibonacci: Golden Analysis</i>
	Gowan Science Academy <b>John Andrew Boelts, Jr. (6th Grade)</b> Yuma, Arizona <i>CO2 = The X Factor</i>
	Willis Junior High School <b>Chloe Liliana Leff (8th Grade)</b> Chandler, Arizona <i>The Effect of Adsorptive Strength on the Rf Values of the Pigments in Leaves</i>
Arkansas USAR03	Bergman Middle School <b>Lane M. King (6th Grade)</b> Harrison, Arkansas <i>Dare to Defy Gravity</i>
	Fulbright Junior High School <b>Arthi Krishna (8th Grade)</b> Bentonville, Arkansas Science Saves Art!: What Is the Effect of the Concentration of Gold/Silver Nanoparticles on the Color Shown on Stained Glass?
USAR04	Rural Special School <b>Corbin Ilias Osburn (8th Grade)</b> Mountain View, Arkansas <i>Fire Safety</i>
USAR05	LISA Academy West <b>Sreelakshmi Sai Raghav (7th Grade)</b> Little Rock, Arkansas <i>Healthy Crops from Recycled Household Waste – Combining Vermicompost and</i> <i>Hydroponics</i>
<b>California</b> USCA01	Fairmont Private School <b>Sasha Leila Ronaghi (8th Grade)</b> Irvine, California <i>Solving Ethiopia's Water Crisis: Using a Water Filter to Remove Excess Fluoride</i>
	Fairmont Private School <b>Ethan Sun Zuo (6th Grade)</b> Irvine, California <i>The Effect of Parachute Size and Number on Spacecraft Acceleration During</i> <i>Descent</i>
	Jeffery Trail Middle School <b>Swethasai Palakur (7th Grade)</b> Irvine, California <i>Were Micelles or Vesicles Really the First Protobionts: A Study on Abiogenesis</i> <i>and the Origins of Life</i>

Ladera Ranch Middle School <b>Suhina Sharma (7th Grade)</b> Ladera Ranch, California <i>TempBot – Device Preventing Febrile Seizures and Other Fatal Complications</i> <i>by Monitoring Sudden Rise in Body Temperatures</i>
Rancho San Joaquin Middle School <b>Alexis Hannah Kim (8th Grade)*</b> Irvine, California <i>The Effect of Ascorbic Acid and Phosphate on Copper Corrosion</i>
Turtle Rock Elementary <b>Emily Autumn Hsi (6th Grade)*</b> Irvine, California <i>Increasing the Longevity of Cut Roses</i>
Vista Verde <b>Marta Meinardi (7th Grade)</b> Irvine, California <i>The Effects of Pollution on Pyrocystis fusiformis</i>
Vista Verde <b>Hiromi Kay Nishida (7th Grade)</b> Irvine, California <i>Artificial Hormones Disrupt Noncompetitive Root Growth Patterns in</i> <i>Sibling Plants</i>
Vista Verde <b>Clara Rose Szalay (7th Grade)</b> Irvine, California <i>Artificial Hormones Disrupt Noncompetitive Root Growth Patterns in</i> <i>Sibling Plants</i>
Alexander Fleming Middle School <b>Cristofer Lortz (7th Grade)</b> Lomita, California <i>Oceanic Power – Oscillating Water Column Generator</i>
Chandler School <b>Mohona Roy Ganguly (7th Grade)</b> Altadena, California <i>Measurement of Potassium in Four Varieties of Rice Using Atomic</i> <i>Emission Spectroscopy</i>
Chandler School <b>William Alexander Labrador (8th Grade)</b> Pasadena, California <i>An Inexpensive Radiation Detector and Its Application to Cosmic Rays and</i> <i>Environmental Radiation</i>
Henry E. Huntington Middle School <b>Nathan K. Deng (8th Grade)*</b> San Marino, California Drop by Drop: Manipulating the Surface Tension of Water to Find the Best Way of Cleaning

USCA02

	Henry E. Huntington Middle School <b>David Shihong Gao (7th Grade)</b> San Marino, California <i>Drosophila melanogaster Addiction to Sugar</i>
	Mirman School <b>Hunter Bren (6th Grade)</b> Los Angeles, California <i>Math in Ballistics</i>
	Mirman School <b>Xavier Takacs Csato (6th Grade)</b> Santa Monica, California <i>Radiation Investigation: What's in YOUR Fish?</i>
	Ridgecrest Intermediate School <b>Suraj Kumar Anand (8th Grade)</b> Rancho Palos Verdes, California <i>Conserved Regions of Coagulation Factors III, VIII, and XII's Percent, Location, and Function in Diverse Species</i>
	Westridge School For Girls <b>Sophie Quynh Carter (8th Grade)</b> Altadena, California <i>Indoor Navigation Using Magnetic Fields</i>
USCA03	Carden School of Fresno <b>Mandika Niven Swartz (7th Grade)</b> Fresno, California <i>Is it Possible to Generate Electricity from Wastewater?</i>
	Clovis Online School <b>Natalie Celeste White (8th Grade)*</b> Sanger, California <i>Cosmic Rays: Determination of the Relative Contributions from the</i> <i>Sun and the Universe</i>
USCA04	Lammersville Elementary School <b>Yahvin Gali (6th Grade)</b> Mountain House, California Shellfish to the Rescue! Reducing Ocean Acidification by Recycling Bivalve Shells
	Winston Churchill Middle School <b>Albert W. Qin (8th Grade)</b> Folsom, California <i>An Application of Artificial Neural Networks to Decentralized</i> <i>Cooperative Navigation</i>
USCA05	Carmel Valley Middle School <b>Rachana Madhukara (8th Grade)</b> San Diego, California <i>Devising a Secure and Efficient Hybrid Cryptosystem</i>

	High Tech Middle <b>Samuel Bennett Kahn (8th Grade)</b> San Diego, California <i>Post-Fire Regeneration in Coastal Sage Scrub: 2nd Year of Study</i>
USCA05	The Rhoades School <b>Katrina Griffin Ordway (8th Grade)*</b> Carlsbad, California <i>Effects of Quercus engelmannii on Native vs. Invasive Plant Species</i>
	Challenger School – Shawnee <b>Adishree Ghatare (8th Grade)*</b> San Jose, California A Software Application as a Learning Platform for Increasing Memory Retention of Definitions of Words
	Challenger School – Strawberry Park <b>Akhilesh Varadan Balasingam (7th Grade)*</b> San Jose, California <i>Galloping Prisms: On the Optimal Design of a Novel Aeroelastic Energy</i> <i>Harvester for Remote Environmental Sensing</i>
	Challenger School – Strawberry Park <b>Pujita Srilalitha Tangirala (6th Grade)*</b> Los Gatos, California Got Antioxidants? Using Chemiluminescence to Study the Effect of Adding Milk or Sugar on the Antioxidant Level of Tea
	Challenger School – Sunnyvale <b>Shruti Sridhar (8th Grade)</b> Sunnyvale, California <i>A Novel Sensor-Based Device to Detect Heatstroke and Dehydration</i>
	Granada Islamic School <b>Ahmad Ismail (6th Grade)</b> Santa Clara, California <i>Yeast Busters: Stopping Fungus in ItsTracks with Antifungal Medicine</i>
	Joaquin Miller Middle School <b>Milan Ganai (8th Grade)</b> San Jose, California <i>Wearable Therapeutic Device with Bluetooth for Elderly Sarcopenia</i> <i>Patients and Caregivers</i>
	John F. Kennedy Middle School <b>Athena F. Fung (8th Grade)</b> Cupertino, California <i>A Bluer Ocean: Replacing Microplastics with Water-Soluble Bioplastics</i>
	Stratford Middle School <b>Adarsh Sairam Ambati (6th Grade)*</b> San Jose, California <i>A Smart, Low Cost, Social Network Connected, Community Sprinkler</i>

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	Stratford Middle School <b>Anousha Anand Athreya (6th Grade)</b> San Jose, California The Effect of Organic Dye on Dye-Sensitized Solar Cell Efficiency
	Stratford Middle School <b>Aalok Nital Patwa (7th Grade)</b> San Jose, California Do I Grind? A Wearable System that Detects Bruxism Ahead of Its Effect on Teeth
	The Harker School <b>Cynthia Chen (8th Grade)</b> Cupertino, California <i>A Novel Method for Reducing Water Consumption in Germinating Seeds</i>
	The Harker School <b>Aarzu Gupta (8th Grade)</b> San Jose, California A Test of the Mutagenic and Carcinogenic Potential of Nicotine-Free Electronic Cigarette Additives
	The Harker School <b>Maya Shukla (8th Grade)</b> Los Altos, California A Test of the Mutagenic and Carcinogenic Potential of Nicotine-Free Electronic Cigarette Additives
USCA08	Diablo Vista Middle School <b>Sean Jinxiang Li (7th Grade)</b> Danville, California Grey Is the New Blue: Converting Greywater into a Usable Resource for Homes and Families
	Diablo Vista Middle School <b>Aditi S. Raju (7th Grade)</b> San Ramon, California <i>Grey Is the New Blue: Converting Greywater into a Usable Resource for</i> <i>Homes and Families</i>
	Iron Horse Middle School <b>Siddhant Sharma (8th Grade)</b> San Ramon, California <i>Traffic Signals Using the Raspberry Pi</i>
	Windemere Ranch Middle School <b>Sanjita Pamidimukkala (7th Grade)</b> San Ramon, California Paving the Path to a Closed-Loop Artificial Pancreas System
USCA09	Mission Valley Elementary School <b>Aryansh Shrivastava (6th Grade)</b> Fremont, California <i>Microcontroller-Based Bionic Eye for the Blind</i>

	NEA Community Learning Center <b>Shino Kawazu (7th Grade)</b> Alameda, California <i>The Effect of the Position of Arms on How Well You Execute a Pirouette</i> Stratford Middle School
	<b>Shreya Ramachandran (7th Grade)*</b> Fremont, California The Effect of Soap Nut Grey Water on the Environment (Soil and Plants: Year 2)
USCA13	Alcott Elementary <b>James Dana (6th Grade)</b> Riverside, California <i>A Wind Tunnel to Test for the Best Aerodynamic Characteristics</i> for Flight on Mars
	Riverside STEM Academy <b>Alec Alexander Balandin (8th Grade)</b> Riverside, California <i>How Does Graphene Implanted in Thermal Paste Affect its Heat</i> <i>Conduction Property?</i>
USCA50	Bridges Charter School <b>James Lee Pinto (8th Grade)</b> Simi Valley, California <i>Did Juvenile Spinosaurids SpendTime in the Ocean?</i>
	Jacoby Creek School <b>Erin Kathleen Lamphear (8th Grade)</b> Arcata, California A Spatial and Temporal Comparison of Sound Levels in a Rural and Urban Interface
	Lee Vining Elementary School <b>Ellery Barngrove McQuilkin (6th Grade)</b> Lee Vining, California <i>Supercool Streams: Flowing with Frazil</i>
	Medea Creek Middle School <b>Dhruv Naresh Aggarwal (8th Grade)</b> Oak Park, California <i>Wi-Tricity: Wireless Electricity Using Resonant Inductive Coupling</i>
	Rio Bravo Greeley Junior High <b>Jensen Lee Boyt (7th Grade)</b> Bakersfield, California <i>Testing D3O: Impact Padding Effectiveness in Football HelmetTechnology</i>
	The Rhoades School <b>Alexandra Pola Orczyk (7th Grade)</b> Escondido, California Investigating Impacts of Human Intrusion on Lottia gigantea Tide Pool Populations

USCA79	La Colina Junior High School <b>Gina Sarah Shapiro (8th Grade)</b> Santa Barbara, California <i>Blink! A Study of Blink Rates While Using Computer Devices with</i> <i>Different Screen Sizes</i> <b>Colorado</b>
Colorado	
USCO02	Miller Middle School <b>Eliot Townsend Wright (7th Grade)*</b> Durango, Colorado <i>UV/HNO3 Deamination/CPD Mutagenesis in Antibiotic-Resistant Monera with</i> <i>Proteomic Analysis</i>
USCO04	North Middle School <b>Kathryn Tsi-Pak Kummel (7th Grade)*</b> Colorado Springs, Colorado <i>All Spruced Up: The Causes and Consequences of Spruce Invasion into Aspen</i> <i>Canopies</i>
USCO09	Flagstaff Academy <b>Julia Bronte Curd (8th Grade)</b> Longmont, Colorado <i>Proteins of the Body and Their Relation to Cancer Tumors</i>
	Southern Hills Middle School <b>Anudeep Golla (8th Grade)*</b> Broomfield, Colorado <i>Seeking Predictability Trapped in the Midst of the Chaos of the Mandelbrot Set</i>
	Summit Middle School <b>William Jacob Dienstfrey (8th Grade)</b> Louisville, Colorado <i>Optical Illusions: Contrast Induced Asynchrony</i>
	Summit Middle School <b>Sophie Mixon Reeves (8th Grade)</b> Boulder, Colorado <i>Cloud Chambers: A More Efficient and Easy Way to Conduct RadonTests</i> <i>in Homes</i>
USCO10	Ben Franklin Academy <b>Priya Treasa Kodenkandath (8th Grade)</b> Highlands Ranch, Colorado <i>Veggie Tales: Can Vegetables Soften Water?</i>
	Challenge School <b>Siddarth Ijju (8th Grade)</b> Aurora, Colorado <i>UAV-Emergency Response: Building an Autonomous Quadcopter for</i> <i>Emergency Response</i>
	Challenge School <b>Emhyr Subramanian (8th Grade)*</b> Aurora, Colorado A Study of Super-Absorbent Polymers and Their Effectiveness in Organic Waste Extraction

Connecticut	
USCT50	Middlebrook Middle School <b>Anika Nandini Bhagavatula (7th Grade)</b> Wilton, Connecticut <i>Banana Peels: Second Life as a Water Purifier</i>
	Saint Joseph School <b>Bradley Justin Kerr (8th Grade)</b> Danbury, Connecticut Influence of Climate Change on the Lobster Population in Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts: Implications for Long Island Sound
	Saint Martha School <b>Stephen David Rougeot (7th Grade)</b> Enfield, Connecticut <i>Si High, Low, or No: Algae Where Do You Want to Grow?</i>
Delaware USPA03	Millsboro Middle School <b>Benjamin Nguyen Koly (6th Grade)</b> Millsboro, Delaware <i>Edible Halophytes for Coastal Permaculture Gardening</i>
<b>Florida</b> USFL01	Hill Gustat Middle School <b>Rohin Patel (8th Grade)*</b> Sebring, Florida <i>Fishy Business: Seafood Authentication by DNA Bardcoding</i>
USFL05	Canterbury School <b>Maya Sruti Chandar (6th Grade)*</b> Fort Myers, Florida <i>The Effects of Ultrasound Waves vs. Laser Beams on the Regrowth of</i> <i>Lumbriculys variegatus (A Novel Study)</i>
	Crestwell School <b>Colton Giovanni Novella (8th Grade)</b> Fort Myers, Florida <i>Electromagnetic Fields and the Effects on Chromosomal Development</i> <i>and Mutations in Drosophila melangoster</i>
USFL06	Saint Andrew's Episcopal Academy <b>Jack Hinton Krasulak (7th Grade)*</b> Stuart, Florida <i>Mitigating the Effects of IED Explosion Through Novel Hull Design</i>
USFL07	Okaloosa STEMM Academy <b>Ethan Robert Lindsay (6th Grade)</b> Niceville, Florida <i>Real Life Terminator Skin? Measuring Various Polymers' Cure Rate,</i> <i>Hardness, and Ability to Heal Holes</i>
	Okaloosa STEMM Academy <b>Mikayla Lindsay (8th Grade)*</b> Niceville, Florida <i>Self Folding Origami</i>

USFL08	Abraham Lincoln Middle School <b>Anjana Balachandar (6th Grade)</b> Gainesville, Florida <i>Is Your Water Swell? Or Does Your Water Smell?</i> Abraham Lincoln Middle School
	<b>Janani Sarjana Kumaran (6th Grade)</b> Gainesville, Florida Which Material Makes the 'Coolest' Insulator
	Abraham Lincoln Middle School <b>Brindha Priya Rathinasabapathi (8th Grade)</b> Gainesville, Florida <i>Arsenic in Rice: Can Glutathione or Wollastonite be Used to Reduce Arsenic</i> <i>Contamination in Rice?</i>
	Howard Bishop Middle School <b>Maya Oli (7th Grade)</b> Gainesville, Florida <i>Pharma Water II: Development of an Effective Personalized Water Filter to</i> <i>Remove Pharmaceutical Drugs in Drinking Water</i>
USFL09	Franklin Academy – Pembroke Pines <b>Janae Alana Simpson (7th Grade)</b> Miramar, Florida <i>How Does Salt Affect Hydrogen Gas Produced in Electrolysis?</i>
	New River Middle <b>Kevin Daniel Fiorillo-Berger (8th Grade)*</b> Hollywood, Florida <i>Protective Robotic Anti-Accident Operational System Kid Care – (PRAOS KC)</i>
USFL10	Julia Landon College Prep <b>John Blake Caven (7th Grade)</b> Jacksonville, Florida <i>Exploring Machine Learning: The Effect of a Genetic Algorithm on</i> <i>Lacrosse Simulation Gameplay</i>
	San Jose Catholic School <b>Andrew James Horkan (7th Grade)</b> Jacksonville, Florida <i>Torrefaction: Turning Biomass into Alternative Energy</i>
USFL12	Lakeland Montessori Middle <b>Amelia Johanna Keriazes (7th Grade)</b> Lakeland, Florida <i>Bald Eagle Nest Fidelity in Natural, Agricultural and Urban LandTypes</i>
USFL13	Hoover Middle School <b>Asher Benjamin Wieder (7th Grade)</b> Melbourne Beach, Florida Which Luring Method Will Attract a Pterois voiltans to a Specific Area for Capture? A Yellow Jig Head, a Stationary Lead Fishing Spoon, or a Blinking Blue Strobe Light?
	Stone Magnet Middle School Elissa Tegan Bell (8th Grade)*

	West Melbourne, Florida A Comparison of the Antimicrobial Properties of Farmed Shrimp and Wild Shrimp on Gram Positive BacteriaUSFL15 Aventura Waterways K–8
	<b>Ethan Zvi Levy (8th Grade)*</b> Miami, Florida <i>Comparing Pulsatile and Non-Pulsatile Left Ventricular Assist Devices (LVAD)</i>
	Highland Oaks Middle School <b>Michael Noah Odzer (7th Grade)</b> North Miami Beach, Florida A Sound Analysis: Using Sonar to Quantify the Relationship of Predator and Prey in the Coral Reef Habitat and How that Relationship Impacts Reef Health
	Nautilus Middle School <b>Diego Lequio Marques (6th Grade)</b> Miami Beach, Florida <i>Fluorescent vs. LED Lights</i>
	Norman S. Edelcup Sunny Isles Beach K–8 Isabela Victoria Perdomo (7th Grade)* Miami Beach, Florida Cleaner Bottoms: An Environmentally Friendly Method of Reducing Barnacle Growth and Improving the Quality of Our Waterways Using Ultrasonic Waves!
	Winston Park K-8 Center <b>Lucas Javier Carbajal (8th Grade)</b> Miami, Florida <i>Using Plant Products with TIO2 Nanoparticles in Dye Sensitized Solar Cells</i>
	Youth Co-Op Charter School <b>Victor Manuel Arminana (8th Grade)</b> Hialeah Gardens, Florida <i>The Effects of Caffeine on Phaseolus lunatus</i>
USFL17	Avalon Middle School <b>Monet Thérèse Jowers (8th Grade)*</b> Orlando, Florida <i>Mangrove Bioprospecting for Endophytic Antibiotic Potential</i>
	Florida Virtual School <b>Uma Alath Menon (8th Grade)*</b> Winter Park, Florida <i>The Ferocious Yellow Dragon: Citrus Greening Disease</i>
USFL21	Alice B. Landrum Middle School <b>Taylor Jaydn Kaminsky (8th Grade)*</b> Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida The Realignment of Circadian to Ultradian Rhythms in Arabidopsis thaliana: An Investigation into Monophasic vs. Polyphasic Photoperiods
	Fruit Cove Middle School <b>Virginia Annabelle Peery (8th Grade)</b> St. Johns, Florida <i>Photochemistry: Accelerating the Ionic Conversion of Iodine to Iodide Utilizing</i> <i>the Electromagnetic Spectrum While Comparing Objective to Subjective Data</i> <i>Collection</i>

	Patriot Oaks Academy <b>Rishabh Singh (8th Grade)*</b> St. Johns, Florida <i>Contactless Brakes</i>
USFL26	Maclay School <b>Madeleine Brooke Roberts (8th Grade)*</b> Tallahassee, Florida Cryptic Cryptocurrency: A Statistical Analysis of Possible Factors Driving the Value of Bitcoin
USFL27	Williams Middle Magnet School <b>Aarush Prasad (7th Grade)</b> Tampa, Florida <i>Can Algae Save the World?</i>
USFL28	Johnson Middle School <b>Charles Foster Pepin (8th Grade)</b> Melbourne, Florida <i>The Rate Law for the Decomposition of Hydrogen Peroxide Using</i> Yeast as a <i>Catalyst</i>
	Sculptor Charter School <b>Kyle Wilson Bramblett (8th Grade)</b> Titusville, Florida Where is the Optimal Placement of Hard Shell Clams and Eastern Oysters, Based on Salinity Levels, to Maximize Filtration of Pollutants and Improve the Water Quality of Indian River Lagoon?
USFL29	A.D. Henderson University School <b>Helen Frances Peluso (7th Grade)*</b> Boynton Beach, Florida <i>Can Confidence in One's Own Short-Term Memory be Faulted by the</i> Introduction of Peer Pressure in a Factually Based, Test-Type Scenario?
	A.D. Henderson University School <b>Devin Reed Willis (7th Grade)*</b> Boca Raton, Florida An Economically Effective Platform for Cellular Experiments at Microscopic Precision
USFL31	Saint Edward's School <b>Olivia Jane Lazorik (8th Grade)*</b> Fort Pierce, Florida <i>Climate Change Problem: The Effect of Ocean Acidification on the Growth and</i> <i>Coloration of Lysmata wurdemanni</i>
	Saint Edward's School <b>Clara Grace Martin (8th Grade)*</b> Vero Beach, Florida <i>The Effect of Oscillation Amplitude on the Voltage Produced by an Oscillating</i> <i>Water Column</i>
	Storm Grove Middle School <b>Griffin Michael Wagner (8th Grade)</b> Vero Beacch, Florida Impact of Chlorophyll Concentration Levels on the Proliferation of Vibrio fischeri

USFL32	Pine View School <b>Maximilian Strom Carey (6th Grade)</b> Sarasota, Florida Physiologic Response of Metastatic Prostate Cancer Patients to Induction Therapy with Gonadotropin-Releasing Hormone Antagonists
USFL50	Challenger K-8 <b>David Paul Marquis (7th Grade)</b> Spring Hill, Florida <i>Reducing the Risk of Soil Liquefaction Through Soil Improvement</i>
	Pine Ridge Middle School <b>Madeline Grace Mair (7th Grade)</b> Naples, Florida <i>Disposable Diapers: Are You Really Getting what You Paid for?</i>
	West Shore Junior/Senior High School <b>Kishen Mitra (8th Grade)</b> Satellite Beach, Florida <i>Do Exercise Levels Affect Post-Concussion Recovery?</i>
Georgia	
USGA03	The Westminster Schools <b>Ananya Lakshmi Ganesh (8th Grade)*</b> Sandy Springs, Georgia <i>Bruxism: Using Myoelectric Signals to Treat a Common Health Problem</i>
USGA06	Sola Fide Home School <b>Rebekah Grace Dorminy (7th Grade)</b> McDonough, Georgia <i>Effects of Mined Humates on Ocimum basilicum var. citriodora</i>
USGA13	Hopewell Middle School <b>Natasha Shiv Havanur (8th Grade)</b> Alpharetta, Georgia <i>Fabric Flammability</i>
USGA50	Early County Middle School <b>Davia Elizabeth LeXin Allen (8th Grade)</b> Blakely, Georgia <i>Comparing Three Different Vegetable Protein Flours as Additives to Increase the</i> <i>Efficiency of Food Waste as a Feed for Black Soldier Fly Larvae</i>
	Hopewell Middle School <b>Ashleigh Madison Hays (8th Grade)</b> Milton, Georgia <i>The Effect of Chlorine Pool Water on the HumanTooth</i>
	The Westminster Schools <b>Daven Raymond Yadav (8th Grade)</b> Atlanta, Georgia <i>Bruxism: Using Myoelectric Signals to Treat a Common Health Problem</i>

Hawaii	
USHI04	Waimea Canyon Middle School <b>Marcus James Schultz (8th Grade)</b> Kekaha, Hawaii <i>Finding the Best Seawall</i>
USHI05	Hilo Intermediate School <b>Alexandra Keunwha Kim-Lee (8th Grade)</b> Hilo, Hawaii <i>Sour Coffee</i>
	Waiakea Intermediate School <b>Haruna Tomono (8th Grade)</b> Hilo, Hawaii <i>Uneven Heating of Foods Through the Use of a Microwave Oven</i>
USHI06	S.W. King Intermediate School <b>Mariko Okihiro Quinn (8th Grade)</b> Kaneohe, Hawaii <i>Not Dead Yet – Coral Bleaching Recovery Kaneohe Bay</i>
<mark>ldaho</mark> USUT07	Teton Middle School <b>Mason Joseph Moore (8th Grade)</b> Felt, Idaho <i>Locational Seismic Vibrations in Black Sand Pool</i>
Illinois	
USIL01	Franklin Fine Arts Center <b>Omar Majzoub (8th Grade)</b> Chicago, Illinois <i>Aerodynamics of Airfoils</i>
	Skinner North Classical School <b>Anagha Aneesh (8th Grade)</b> Chicago, Illinois <i>Killing Cancer: Can Melatonin Fight Cancer?</i>
USIL02	Good Shepherd Lutheran <b>Reagan Hailee Guerra (8th Grade)</b> Maryville, Illinois <i>Bloodstain Pattern Analysis: Accuracy of the Point of Origin Calculation</i>
USIL04	Franklin Middle School <b>Varsha Viswanathan Iyer (8th Grade)</b> Springfield, Illinois <i>Heat is Power: Harnessing Low-Grade Waste Heat Through the</i> Thermo-Galvanic Effect in a Thermo-Galvanic Cell
	Southeastern Jr./Sr. High <b>Faith Grace Miller (8th Grade)</b> Augusta, Illinois <i>Recycling Greywater: The Effect of Greywater on Zea mays and</i> <i>Planaria maculata</i>

USIL05	Wood Oaks <b>Sarosh N. Nagar (8th Grade)</b> Northbrook, Illinois <i>Growth Acceleration: It's All GA</i> !
<b>Indiana</b> USIN03	Castle North Middle School <b>Ankush Kundan Dhawan (8th Grade)</b> Newburgh, Indiana <i>Magic Sand: A Novel Graphene Oxide-Based Water Filtration System</i>
USIN04	Summit Middle School <b>Rebecca Jennifer Luckey (7th Grade)</b> Fort Wayne, Indiana <i>The Effects of Practical HeatTreatment on Polylactic Acid</i>
USIN50	Montessori Children's Schoolhouse <b>Zayn Ahmed Shareef (6th Grade)</b> Munster, Indiana <i>Investigation of a Vertical Axis Wind Turbine Design</i>
<b>lowa</b> USIA50	Merrill Middle School <b>Ashton Michael Belknap (6th Grade)</b> Des Moines, Iowa <i>Who's Watching You Shop?</i>
Kentucky USKY02	Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic School <b>Tess Katherine Schrenger (6th Grade)</b> Louisville, Kentucky <i>Investigating the Toxicity of Rubber Playground Mulch</i>
USKY50	Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic School <b>Elizabeth Michelle Gallagher (7th Grade)</b> Louisville, Kentucky Identifying and Exploring Methods of Extracting Oxygen from Lunar Regolith
<b>Louisiana</b> USLA01	Glasgow Middle School <b>Siyuan Feng (7th Grade)</b> Baton Rouge, Louisiana <i>Can Leaves Tell the Air Quality?</i>
USLA02	Caddo Middle Magnet <b>Ashini A. Modi (6th Grade)*</b> Shreveport, Louisiana <i>Dark Matter: The Hidden Universe</i>
USLA08	John Curtis Christian School <b>Rachel Michelle Pizzolato (6th Grade)</b> Metairie, Louisiana <i>Can a Modified Windmill Generate Electricity in an Interstate Traffic Setting?</i>

Maryland	
USMD01	Saint John the Evangelist School <b>Santiago Stone (8th Grade)</b> Odenton, Maryland <i>What a Difference a Floor Makes: Alternative Flooring for the Impoverished</i>
USMD02	Oakdale Middle School <b>Divina Rakesh Bhatia (7th Grade)</b> Ijamsville, Maryland <i>Analysis of Gluten Content in Various Flours and Gluten's Effects on Celiac</i> <i>Disease</i>
USMD03	Roberto Clemente Middle School <b>Medha Sri Kotti (8th Grade)</b> Clarksburg, Maryland <i>The Thermodynamics of Hurricanes</i>
	Roberto Clemente Middle School <b>Sonia Victoria Stan (7th Grade)</b> Gaithersburg, Maryland <i>Hydrophobicity and Hydrophilicity of Natural and Artificial Surfaces</i>
	Takoma Park Middle School <b>Shreeya Raj Khurana (8th Grade)</b> Potomac, Maryland <i>Geomagnetic Storms: A Study of Relationships Between Geomagnetic Storms</i> <i>and the Interplanetary Magnetic Field, and Monitoring Geomagnetic Storms in</i> <i>the Ionosphere with GPS Errors</i>
USMD06	Dunloggin Middle School <b>Annie Liu (8th Grade)</b> Ellicott City, Maryland <i>Do Corrosive Substances Really Rust Your Nails?</i>
	Saint Joseph School Fullerton <b>Sienna Nicole Fink (8th Grade)</b> Perry Hall, Maryland <i>When Your Christmas Tree Gets Drier, It Increases the Chance of Fire</i>
Massachusetts	
USCA05	The Rhoades School Alexa Qing Lan Kalei Infelise (8th Grade) Lexington, Massachusetts Impacts of the Decoy Effect on Promoting Positive Choices in an Academic Setting
USMA01	Heath School <b>Elinor Rosen (6th Grade)</b> Brookline, Massachusetts <i>Early Warning System for Preventing Injuries from Falling Branches in Winter</i>
USMA02	Carlisle Public School <b>Amanda Lan Wang (8th Grade)</b> Carlisle, Massachusetts <i>Can a Smartphone Detect Adulterated Edible Oil</i>

USMA06	Boston Latin School <b>Nadine Han (7th Grade)*</b> Boston, Massachusetts <i>Determining Wildfire Risk Using Satellite Data</i>
	Boston Latin School Lienna Peng (8th Grade)* West Roxbury, Massachusetts <i>Maximization of Biofuels from Seaweed Biomasses</i>
<b>Minnesota</b> USMN04	Oak-Land Jr. High <b>Max J. Vogel (8th Grade)*</b> Bayport, Minnesota <i>Got Gas V2: A Follow-up Investigation into the Efficiency of Ethanol</i>
USMN07	Friedell Middle School <b>Supriya Ann Roy (6th Grade)*</b> Rochester, Minnesota <i>Just the Right Combination</i>
	John Adams Middle School <b>Noah Thomas Eggebraaten (6th Grade)*</b> Rochester, Minnesota A Study of the Use of Aeroponics to Produce Food in a Space Enviorment
USMN08	Al-Amal School <b>Emmarah Qureshi (8th Grade)</b> Blaine, Minnesota <i>Building and Testing on an Artificial Stomach</i>
USMN09	Capitol Hill Gifted and Talented Magnet <b>Anindita Rajamani (7th Grade)</b> St. Paul, Minnesota <i>Fast Food Assistant: A Smartphone App for Healthy Fast Food Choices</i>
USMN10	Calvin Christian School Julia Anne Brouwer (7th Grade)* Eagan, Minnesota Leafy Green Astronauts: How Space Radiation Affects Seed Germination and Plant Growth
USMN50	Murray Middle School <b>Maasia Si-Asar Apet (8th Grade)</b> Brooklyn Park, Minnesota <i>Biomass to Biofuel!</i>
Missouri USMO04	Liberty Middle School <b>Ashley Elizabeth Sudmann (8th Grade)</b> Liberty, Missouri <i>The Effect of Barium Sulfate, Calcium Sulfate, and Magnesium Sulfate</i> <i>on the Hydra littoralis Ability to Capture Brine Shrimp</i>

	Pembroke Hill School <b>Katrina O'Connell Case (7th Grade)</b> Kansas City, Missouri <i>Controlling Escherichia coli Bacterial Growth in Reusable Grocery Bags Using</i> <i>Single and Combination Disinfectants</i>
	Pembroke Hill School <b>Morgan Lilith Mos (7th Grade)</b> Kansas City, Missouri <i>Controlling Escherichia coli Bacterial Growth in Reusable Grocery Bags Using</i> <i>Single and Combination Disinfectants</i>
USMO09	Timber Ridge Scholars <b>Elizabeth Paige Wamsley (8th Grade)</b> Pacific, Missouri <i>Determining the Effect of Red and Blue LED Grow Lights on Germination</i> <i>Rate, Stem Elongation and Chlorophyll Content in a Hydroponic Brassica</i> <i>oleracea Crop</i>
Montana	
USMT01	Absarokee Junior High/High School <b>Christopher Michael Joseph Pasecznyk (8th Grade)</b> Absarokee, Montana <i>Flight at the End of the Tunnel</i>
USMT50	Kalispell Middle School <b>Lucas Lee Ritzdorf (8th Grade)</b> Bigfork, Montana <i>Using a Towable Conductivity-Mapping System to Locate Springs or Septic</i> <i>Leachate</i>
	West Valley School <b>Emily Lauren Cleveland (7th Grade)</b> Kalispell, Montana <i>Smart Salt</i>
Nevada	
USNV03	Nevada Connections Academy: Stanford Online High School Ivan Anders Altunin (8th Grade) Incline Village, Nevada The Physics of Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells with the Dye-Sensitizer Extracted from Tree Leaves
	Virginia City Middle School <b>Callum Bodington Jack (8th Grade)</b> Reno, Nevada <i>The Future is Grey (Water)</i>
New Jersey	
USNJ03	Timberlane Middle School <b>Sonja Morgan Simon Michaluk (8th Grade)</b> Titusville, New Jersey <i>A Novel Mathematical Model to Simulate the Impact of Potential Land</i> <i>Development on Chemical and Biological Stream Health</i>

USNJ79	Emil A. Cavallini Middle School <b>Lasal Bandara Mapitigama (7th Grade)</b> Upper Saddle River, New Jersey <i>OpenRoad: A Cost-Efficient Solution to Drowsy Driving</i>
	Saint Peter Academy <b>Kelsey Paige Fontenot (6th Grade)</b> Teaneck, New Jersey <i>Nanotechnology vs. Nature: Is Ferrofluid More Efficient than Milkweed and</i> <i>Cotton in Removing Oil Spills from Ocean Water?</i>
USPA03	Moorestown Upper Elementary School <b>Maya Sonal Butani (6th Grade)</b> Moorestown, New Jersey <i>Is it Possible to Create Plastic from Food?</i>
New Mexico	
USNM01	North Valley Academy <b>Simonita Madelos Grenko-Sanchez (7th Grade)</b> Bernalillo, New Mexico
	Boyle's Law vs. the Poor Scuba Diver: Is Boyle's Law in Effect While Scuba Diving
USNM50	Los Alamos Middle School
	Michael Owen Aslam (8th Grade) Los Alamos, New Mexico
	How Does the Newton Fractal Dimensionality Change with Polynomial Order?
New York	
USNJ03	Saint Ann School <b>Dora Durdanovic Krstic (8th Grade)</b> Lawrenceville, New York <i>Comparison Between Visual and Auditory Reaction Time – Timing It Right at</i> <i>Swim Meets</i>
USNY01	Saint Martin de Porres School <b>Theodore A. DeGuzman (8th Grade)</b> Poughkeepsie, New York <i>Energy for the World: Wind Turbines</i>
	Van Wyck Junior High School <b>Sanjay Natesan (7th Grade)</b> Hopewell Junction, New York <i>How Strong Is Your Password?</i>
USNY02	East Northport Middle School Isabella Josephine DeBrino (8th Grade) East Northport, New York Perplexing Paper Problem – The Effect of a Paper's Composition on its Performance
	East Northport Middle School <b>Maxwell Liam DeBrino (7th Grade)</b> East Northport, New York <i>Bird's Eye View: The Effect of Shape and Ultraviolet Color on the Feeding</i> <i>Behavior of Finches</i>

	Hebrew Academy of Nassau County Middle School <b>Elan Yakov Moskowitz (8th Grade)</b> West Hempstead, New York <i>Improving Insecticides</i>
	Manhasset Middle School <b>Elizabeth Wu (8th Grade)</b> Manhasset, New York <i>The Effect of Various Copper Concentrations on the Growth of L. minor and</i> <i>the Biosorption of Copper by L. minor</i>
	Manhasset Middle School <b>Serena Zhao (8th Grade)</b> Manhasset, New York <i>The Effect of Various Copper Concentrations on the Growth of L. minor and</i> <i>the Biosorption of Copper by L. minor</i>
	North Shore Middle School <b>Kate Elise Weseley-Jones (7th Grade)</b> Sea Cliff, New York <i>A Graph is Worth 1,000 (Misleading?) Words</i>
USNY05	PEARLS Hawthorne <b>Swaneet Anand Jha (7th Grade)</b> Yonkers, New York <i>Cow Dung and Waste to Energy</i>
USNY06	Ed Smith Elementary <b>Jackson Louis Marko (6th Grade)</b> Syracuse, New York <i>Measuring Concussion Risk in Contact Sports</i>
USNY07	Shaker Junior High School <b>John Yin (8th Grade)</b> Albany, New York A Small Solution for a Big Problem: Degrading Harmful Microcystins in Freshwater Ecosystems
USNY50	Elmont Memorial High School <b>Marvia Jozie Pressoir (8th Grade)</b> Elmont, New York <i>The Effect of Green Visible Light on C. elegans Induced Parkinson's Disease</i>
	Elmont Memorial High School <b>Akuchinyerem Chisom Onyeobia (8th Grade)</b> Elmont, New York <i>The Effect of Green Visible Light on C. elegans Induced Parkinson's Disease</i>
USNY78	Hunter College High School <b>Alina Rachel Davydov (8th Grade)</b> Forest Hills, New York <i>Optimization of Anthocyanin-Sensitized TiO2 Solar Cells Through</i> Degradation Analysis

	Hunter College High School <b>Horatio Montero Hamkins (8th Grade)</b> New York City, New York <i>Does a Slinky Defy the Law of Gravity?</i>
	Hunter College High School <b>Alex Vtorov (7th Grade)</b> New York, New York <i>The Effect of Varying Acidity on Brine Shrimp Hatching Rates</i>
	Hunter College High School <b>Alexandra Amelia Wong (8th Grade)</b> Whitestone, New York <i>Analyzing the Active Sites and Catalysis of Neprilysin</i>
North Carolina USNC02	Cary Classical Arts & Sciences Academy <b>Ashley Elisabeth Lamb (8th Grade)</b> Cary, North Carolina <i>Freshwater Pollutants: The Harmful Effects of Short-Term Exposure on Our</i> <i>Beneficial Bivalves</i>
	Holly Ridge Middle School <b>Ashleigh Marie Nicoll (7th Grade)</b> Holly Springs, North Carolina <i>Potential Changes in Yarkovsky's Effect on Bennu Through the Examination of</i> <i>Direct vs. Angular Impact of Light on Crookes Radiometer</i>
	Sterling Montessori Charter School and Academy <b>Ana Leslie Ratanaphruks (8th Grade)</b> Morrisville, North Carolina <i>Grading Olive Oil Using a Low-Cost Laser-Induced Fluroescence</i> <i>Spectrometer</i>
USNC50	Asheville Christian Academy <b>Katherine Elizabeth Rudins (6th Grade)</b> Fletcher, North Carolina <i>E-book vs. Tree-book</i>
	East Middle School <b>Joseph David Steed, IV (6th Grade)</b> Candor, North Carolina <i>Sweet and Warm</i>
North Dakota USND03	Woodhaven Academy <b>Isabelle Louise Chambers (8th Grade)</b> Fargo, North Dakota <i>Improving Vision in Pseudophakic Uveitis Patient via Photoactivation</i>

Ohio	
USOH02	Anand Homeschool Academy <b>Ruth Tenboom Anand (7th Grade)</b> Akron, Ohio <i>Red and Blue Light Effects of Phototropism Under Simulated</i> <i>Microgravity in Arabidopsis thaliana</i>
	Beachwood Middle School <b>Yoav Pinhasi (7th Grade)</b> Beachwood, Ohio <i>Duration of Afterimages in Relation to Color and Shape</i>
	Broadway Creek Homeschool Academy <b>Kei Kojima (8th Grade)</b> Medina, Ohio <i>Autonomous Wearable Alert Device Based on Audio Pattern Recognition f</i> <i>or the Hearing Impaired</i>
	Hudson Middle School <b>Caroline Jihyun Jung (7th Grade)</b> Hudson, Ohio <i>Complexity Out of Simplicity – Discovery of Simple Patterns in Nature</i> Through Numerical Simulation
	North Olmsted Middle School <b>Kileigh Colleen Zielinski (7th Grade)</b> North Olmsted, Ohio <i>Energy Nut: What Type of Nut Gives the Body the Most Energy?</i>
USOH08	Saint Thomas Aquinas Middle School <b>Shiv Sathya Dewan (8th Grade)</b> North Canton, Ohio <i>The Effects of Natural Compounds in Inhibiting the Progress of</i> <i>Drug-Induced Vascular Damage</i>
Oklahoma	
USOK01	Shattuck Middle School <b>Adison Mae Swanson (8th Grade)</b> Shattuck, Oklahoma <i>Kidney Cones</i>
USOK05	Homeschool <b>Brendan Joseph Crotty (8th Grade)*</b> Muskogee, Oklahoma <i>Comparative Study of Insulating Materials for a Gas Forge</i>
Oregon USOR04	Stoller Middle School <b>Soumik Chakraborty (8th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon <i>Reducing Adolescent Stress via Predictive Machine Learning Models</i>
	Stoller Middle School <b>Eshani Jha (7th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon <i>Controlling Bioavailable Mercury for Consumption by Humans</i>

	Stoller Middle School <b>Anushka R. Naiknaware (7th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon <i>Chitosan and Carbon Nanoparticle-Based Biocompatible Sensor for</i> <i>Wound Management</i>
	SUMMA Academy, Meadow Park Middle School
	<b>Arjun Jain (8th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon <i>Virbrio fischeri as a Novel Biosensor for Flame Retardant Pollution</i>
USOR50	ACCESS Academy <b>Natalie Eajia Wang (8th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon Organic or Nonorganic – That Is the Question: A Comparative Study of Antimicrobial Resistance in Bacterial Isolates from Organic, Natural, and Conventional Poultry
	Bend Science Station James Michael Plumleigh (7th Grade) Bend, Oregon Cystic Fibrosis Screening: Detection of Gene Mutation Through Hypertonic Sodium Chloride Effects
	Cedar Park Middle School <b>Rupert Michael Li (8th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon <i>Analysis of Correlation Patterns Among Active Fires, Ozone, Acid Rain, and</i> <i>Other Forms of Pollution Using Principal Component Analysis</i>
	Cedar Park Middle School <b>Nashita Fareen Rahman (8th Grade)</b> Portland, Oregon <i>Predicting the Natural Habitats of Endangered Species in Oregon Using</i> <i>Statistical Modeling and AnalysisTechniques</i>
<b>Pennsylvania</b> USPA01	Good Shepherd School <b>Zachary John Yaninek (7th Grade)</b> Harrisburg, Pennsylvania Inhibiting the Corrosion of Various MetalsThrough the Use of Ascorbic Acid
USPA02	Lancaster Country Day School <b>Arielle Svetlana Breuninger (7th Grade)</b> Lancaster, Pennsylvania <i>Colored Shade Balls Save Water</i>
USPA03	Arcola Intermediate School <b>Ashmitha Sivakumar (8th Grade)</b> Collegeville, Pennsylvania <i>Future Fuel Biodiesel</i>
	Arcola Intermediate School <b>Arushi Tiwari (8th Grade)</b> Collegeville, Pennsylvania Improving the Water Retention of Soil

	Charles F. Patton Middle School <b>Viraj Joshi (8th Grade)</b> Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania Are 3D-Printed Orthoses More Effective than Traditional Orthoses? A Comparative Study on the Efficacy of Using 3D-Printed Orthoses
	French International School of Philadelphia <b>Ravi Nicholas Balasubramanian (8th Grade)</b> Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania <i>Mathematics in the Microworld: The Geometry of Flocking by the Colonial</i> <i>Protist Volvox</i>
	Moravian Academy Middle School <b>Rhea Malhotra (8th Grade)</b> Allentown, Pennsylvania <i>The Effect of Biochemical Agents on Mesenchymal Stem Cells</i>
	Orefield Middle School <b>Sahas Veera (8th Grade)</b> Orefield, Pennsylvania <i>Carbon Nanotube Filters: Investigating the Desalination Properties</i> <i>of Graphene Oxide</i>
USPA04	Falk School <b>Jose Andres Aiellp (6th Grade)</b> Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania <i>It's Not All Trash Talk!</i>
	Falk School <b>Benjamin Asher Bermann (7th Grade)</b> Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania <i>Onion Extract Effects on Pseudomonas Biofilms: Implications for Treatment</i>
	Falk School <b>Arturo Belkacem Zarour (6th Grade)</b> Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania <i>It's Not All Trash Talk!</i>
	Freeport Area Middle School <b>Sophia Anna Hower (8th Grade)</b> Freeport, Pennsylvania <i>The Effects of Different Additives on the Adhesive Strength of Silicone and</i> <i>Latex-Based Caulking</i>
	Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic School <b>Sarah Natalie Watson (8th Grade)</b> Allison Park, Pennsylvania <i>Honey I Shrunk the Cancer! Can Manuka Honey Kill Cancer Cells?</i>
	Sewickley Academy <b>Prateek Adurty (7th Grade)</b> Wexford, Pennsylvania <i>Going Green: Environmental Impact of Fuels by Combustion</i>

Winchester Thurston School **Aria Rosalee Eppinger (8th Grade)** Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania *Roundup's Effect on Human Gut Bacteria* 

Yough Intermediate Middle School Adam Paul Ozegovich (7th Grade) Ruffs Dale, Pennsylvania Did You Hear THAT?

## South Carolina

USSC05

The Carolina Academy **Ava Elise Palmer (8th Grade)** Lake City, South Carolina *Wi-Fry? Invisible Pollution* 

#### Texas

USTX01

Coppell Middle School East Akash Vijay (7th Grade)\* Irving, Texas Cycle Power: Harnessing Human Mechanical Energy into Electrical Energy

Frankford Middle School Yasmin Riya Misra (8th Grade) Dallas, Texas Face the Times: Will Analog Clock Reading Become a Lost Skill?

Rice Middle School **Yash Garg (7th Grade)\*** Plano, Texas *Survival of the Fittest: An Evolutionary Approach to Solving the Quadratic Assignment Problem* 

Rice Middle School **Anthony Michael Mellone (8th Grade)** Plano, Texas *The Future of Sailing: Finding the Most Efficient Camber for Hard-Wing Sails* 

Rice Middle School **Pranav Jay Nathan (7th Grade)\*** Plano, Texas *The Future of Transportation: Self Driving Cars* 

Rice Middle School **Nabil Sikora (7th Grade)\*** Plano, Texas *Survival of the Fittest: An Evolutionary Approach to Solving the Quadratic Assignment Problem* 

Rice Middle School **Andrei George Spiride (8th Grade)\*** Plano, Texas *Piezo Power: Noninvasive Wireless Energy Transfer for Implantable Medical Devices* 

	Rice Middle School <b>Khushi Sandeep Thakkar (8th Grade)*</b> Plano, Texas <i>From Wash to Squash: A Novel Approach to Purifying Used Household Water</i> <i>for Agricultural Applications</i>
	Schimelpfenig Middle School <b>Rohan Harshal Chhaya (8th Grade)</b> Plano,Texas <i>Sticking Together Through Thick and Thin</i> USTX03*
USTX03	NorthTexas Academy of Higher Learning <b>Hannah Rebecca Erika Keck (8th Grade)*</b> Plano,Texas <i>Buyer Beware: A Chemical Analysis For C15H16O2</i>
USTX05	Bear Branch Junior High School <b>Annamarie Quinn Mader (8th Grade)</b> Magnolia, Texas <i>Bring in the Reinforcements</i>
	Doerre Intermediate <b>Theiija Balasubramanian (8th Grade)</b> Spring,Texas <i>Bas for Pseudomonas!</i>
	Fort Settlement Middle School <b>Nithin Parsan (8th Grade)</b> Sugar Land, Texas <i>Applying Kirigami Design to Create NextGen SunTracking Solar Panels</i>
	Knox Junior High <b>Tanner Matthew Perry (8th Grade)*</b> Shenandoah, Texas <i>Five Star Filters, Testing Their Effectiveness at Removing Bacteria from the</i> <i>Air in Your Home</i>
	League City Intermediate <b>Maggie Rose Davidson* (8th Grade)</b> El Lago, Texas <i>Fat Increases Bioavailability of Antioxidants?</i>
	McCullough Junior High School Jaimie Minseo Lee (8th Grade) The Woodlands, Texas <i>Oh, Resonance, You're On</i>
	Quail Valley Middle School <b>Prince Prakashkumar Patel (8th Grade)</b> Missouri City, Texas <i>Plant Supplements</i>
	Westbrook Intermediate School <b>Kumaran Elanko Selva (8th Grade)</b> Houston, Texas Increasing Efficiency of GaAs Solar Cells with Light Concentration

USTX07	Trautmann Middle School <b>Yanning Liu (6th Grade)</b> Laredo,Texas <i>Want to Warm Up or Cool Down? Go Underground!</i>
USTX11	Anderson Christian Academy <b>Shannon Leigh Anderson (8th Grade)</b> Seguin, Texas <i>Tannins as a Gibberellin Antagonist:The Effect of Juniper Tannins on Native</i> <i>Texas Bouteloua curtipendula</i>
	BASIS San Antonio Medical Center <b>Catherine Annastina Taboada (7th Grade)</b> San Antonio, Texas <i>Experimental Study of the Law of Conservation of Energy Using a</i> Thermo-Electric Bolometer Year II
	Howell Middle School <b>De'Everett Niquolas Ross (7th Grade)</b> Victoria,Texas <i>How Do Geomagnetic Storms Effect Global Positioning Systems?</i>
	San Antonio Academy <b>Joshua Aaron Cross (8th Grade)</b> San Antonio, Texas What Is the Most Efficient Natural Way to Filter Heavy Metals from Mine Spill River Water?
USTX13	Homeschool <b>Ananya Anandi-Mohana Subramanian (8th Grade)</b> Austin, Texas <i>May The Force Move You – Self-Driving Car Powered by Resonant Wireless</i> Energy Transfer
USTX15	Santa Gertrudis School <b>Joaquin Haces Garcia (7th Grade)</b> Kingsville,Texas <i>Saving Babies: Preventing Heat Stroke Implementing a Novel Car Seat Alarm</i> <i>System</i>
	Seashore Middle Academy <b>Nikolai Victorovich Ortiz (7th Grade)*</b> Corpus Christi, Texas <i>Finding a Solution to Heavy Metal Water Pollution</i>
USTX50	Rice Middle School <b>Manasi Gummaraju (8th Grade)</b> Plano,Texas <i>Mitotic Mania:The Effect of Different Household Ingredients on the Mitotic Cell</i> <i>Division of Onion RootTips and Its Application to Cancer</i>
	Robinson Middle School <b>Maansi Rukmini Srinivasan (8th Grade)</b> Plano, Texas <i>An Ultrasonic Glove for the Blind</i>

Utah	
USUT04	American Heritage School Olivia Naomi Washburn (6th Grade) Orem, Utah Seeing or Hearing? Which Is Better for Memorizing?
	Freedom Prepratory Acadamy Joseph Thomas Strain (8th Grade) Provo, Utah <i>Stopping Inversion</i> Mountain Ridge Junior High
	<b>Skyler Ricky Colledge (8th Grade)</b> Cedar Hills, Utah <i>Laser Spirograph</i>
	Provo Peaks Elementary <b>Matthew James Argyle (6th Grade)</b> Provo, Utah <i>Pyro Protection 2.0</i>
	Willowcreek Middle School <b>Gage William Blackwell (8th Grade)</b> Lehi, Utah <i>Tomato Grafting: Reducing the Effects of Soil Borne Pathogens on Crop Yield</i>
USUT05	American Preparatory Academy <b>Tiara Tuttle (7th Grade)</b> Salt Lake, Utah <i>An Auditory EGGsperiment</i>
	Challenger School <b>Michael Boade Silas (6th Grade)</b> Bountiful, Utah I'm Leaven It: The Effect of Different Altitudes on a Baking Soda and Vinegar Chemical Reaction
	Churchill Junior High <b>Ellie Joan De Groote (7th Grade)</b> West Valley City, Utah <i>A MASSive Mystery</i>
	J.E. Cosgriff Memorial Catholic School <b>Isabella Mia DiNardo (8th Grade)</b> Salt Lake City, Utah <i>Game On: Does Mindful Gaming Lead to Improvements in Cognitive Function?</i>
	West High School <b>Christopher L. Li (7th Grade)</b> North Salt Lake, Utah <i>Investigating N-Acetylcysteine for Protection Towards UVB-Radiated Human</i> <i>Melanocytes</i>
USUT06	Bear River Charter School <b>Gary Zhan (6th Grade)</b> North Logan, Utah <i>Production of Turmeric in Escherichia coli: Effect of the Substrate</i> <i>Supply on the Yield</i>

Virginia	
USVA01	George Washington Middle School <b>Townson Bayly Smith Cocke (8th Grade)</b> Alexandria, Virginia <i>The Effect of Tubercle Amplitude and Wavelength on Fin Drag</i> Williamsburg Middle School
	<b>Galilee Alemework Ambellu (8th Grade)</b> Arlington, Virginia <i>Lead Content in Arlington Parks</i>
	Williamsburg Middle School <b>Victoria Wenya Graf (8th Grade)</b> Arlington, Virginia <i>Evolutionary Approach to the Analysis of Classical Music Entropy</i>
USVA06	Louise A. Benton Middle School <b>Eleanor Wren Sigrest (7th Grade)</b> Woodbridge, Virginia <i>Rockets, and Nozzles, and Thrusts, Oh My</i>
	Rippon Middle School <b>Hashir Aqeel (7th Grade)</b> Woodbridge, Virginia <i>A Novel Approach Using SiO2 Nano-Particles to Create SaltTolerant Rice</i>
	Ronald Wilson Reagan Middle School <b>Elena Grace Novak (8th Grade)</b> Haymarket, Virginia <i>The Effect of Bio-Waste on the Concentration of Heavy Metals in Water</i>
	Ronald Wilson Reagan Middle School <b>Wamia Said (8th Grade)</b> Gainesville, Virginia The Effect of Bio-Waste on the Concentration of Heavy Metals in Water
USVA09	Yorktown Middle School <b>Karley Alana Haskiell (6th Grade)</b> Yorktown, Virginia <i>Let It Grow! Capitalizing On Soil Capillarity!</i>
USVA10	Auburn Middle School <b>Phoenix Haas (8th Grade)</b> Riner, Virginia <i>The Effects of DifferentTypes of Flaps on Wing Lift</i>
USVA11	George H. Moody Middle School <b>Emily Elizabeth Carder (8th Grade)</b> Richmond, Virginia The Effect of Different Chemical Stress-Signal Simulators on the Drought Tolerance of Pisum sativum
	George H. Moody Middle School <b>Rebekah Neale Cohodas (8th Grade)</b> Henrico, Virginia The Effect of the Degree of the Angle at Which the Barrier is Placed on the Evacuation Time from a Room

	George H. Moody Middle School <b>Andion Sophia Padua Dizon (8th Grade)</b> Glen Allen, Virginia
	The Effect of Boiling Time on the Amount of Starch Released from Rice George H. Moody Middle School
	<b>Hanyuan Ge (8th Grade)</b> Richmond, Virginia Antibacterial Effect of Vegetables on Growth of Porphyromonas gingivalis
USVA78	Nysmith School for the Gifted and Talented <b>Annabel Lian (8th Grade)</b> Mclean, Virginia <i>Glow in the Dark</i>
	Nysmith School for the Gifted and Talented <b>Kaien Yang (7th Grade)</b> Chantilly, Virginia <i>iDiagnostic: Invention of an Early Detection Tool for Major Depressive Disorder</i>
Washington	
USWA01	Carmichael Middle School <b>Zoe Anne Gotthold (7th Grade)*</b> Richland, Washington <i>Penguins and Chocolate Mousse Don't Mix – A Study of the Stability and</i> <i>Characteristics of Toxic Chocolate Mousse</i>
	Desert Hills Middle School <b>Nikhil Devanathan* (8th Grade)</b> Kennewick, Washington <i>The Effect of NaCl Content on the Voltage Output of a Microbial Fuel Cell</i>
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