



HIGH TECH KIDS

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Minnesota State Championship Awards

The Champion's Award: This is the most prestigious award. This selected team carries the honor of serving as a role model by demonstrating respect, encouragement, and continued gracious professionalism in the heat of competition, both in and out of the arena. This team is considered Grand Champion. The Division II Grand Champion will represent Minnesota at the World Festival in Atlanta and are the recipients of the Natalie Tiedemann Scholarship to help pay for this event.

Judges' Award: This is an open-ended award determined the day of the tournament by the judges. There are no specific criteria for this award as each judging panel is looking for a unique story that can change from tournament to tournament. Teams need only share their experience with the judges for consideration of this award.

Team Spirit Award: Presented to the team best demonstrating the spirit of FIRST by extraordinary enthusiasm and spirit both within the team and in support and encouragement of fellow teams.

Sportsmanship Award: Presented to a team that shows great sportsmanship.

Teamwork Award: Presented to the team that best exemplifies the meaning of teamwork. This team will exhibit the qualities that are present when a team is well coached. Judges look for coaches and teams who work well together and focus on task specific activities during the day of the tournament.

Young Mentor Award: Given to the outstanding young mentor (18 years or younger) for mentoring a MN FLL team this year. This award also includes a \$250 scholarship.

Research Project Awards

Research Quality Award: Presented to the team that best develops an in-depth and thorough understanding of the Climate Connections Research Challenge. They have the best explanation from the team's point of view and solution of the Climate Connections Challenge.

Creative Presentation Award: Presented to the team with the most imaginative and creative presentation demonstrating the team's research and solution to the Research Challenge.

Innovative Solution Award: Presented to the team that has the most thought provoking and innovative resolution to the Research Challenge. The judges are not only looking for creative ideas, but an examination of the issues required in implementing the team's solution.

Technical Performance Awards

Quality Design Award: Presented to the team whose understanding and application of sound mechanical principles produces the most solid, predictable, and dependable robotic design.

Programming Award: Presented to the team best demonstrating an in-depth understanding of sound programming principles and applications for unique or exceptional execution of the challenge missions.

Innovative Design Award: Presented to the team best demonstrating its ability to use a creative design, component, or unique strategy of play for the most original approach to solving the challenge missions.

Robot Performance Awards

1st Place, 2nd Place and 3rd Place Performance Awards: Presented to the teams whose robot finishes first, second and third in the Head-to-Head elimination round.