



## Contest Rules

### Eligibility

- Each submission must be made by a team of at least two students.
- Only one entry per team and an individual may only be a member of one team.
- Each submission must be sponsored by a team leader, an adult of at least 21 years of age. The team leader must also certify that each team member is eligible to participate.
- Each submission must be sponsored by a school - private, public or homeschool.
- All students must be enrolled in an 8 - 12 grade or of those ages and home-schooled in the U.S., its territories or possessions at the time of entry (e.g., the fall 2018 semester), and be in good standing.
- Each entrant must submit a Parental/Guardian Permission Form available on the competition platform.
- Employees, contractors, officers or judges of WHRO or American Evolution™ and their children are not eligible to enter the competition.

### Entry Rules

- All entries must be received during the competition submission window.
- All entries must be submitted in English.
- Submitting a competition entry constitutes an agreement to adhere to the rules and stipulations set forth by the contest sponsors.
- Each entrant and team leader certifies, through submission of an entry to the contest, that the entry is the entrant's original, creative work and, to the best of the knowledge of each team member and the team leader, does not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate the work of others, as protected under U.S. copyright, patent, trade secret or trademark law.
- By entering the contest, the entrant and the team leader agrees to hold harmless, WHRO and American Evolution™ for all legal and administrative claims, damages or losses, including associated expenses that may arise from any claims related to the submission or use of a contest entry.
- All judges' decisions are final and may not be appealed.
- Entrants retain all copyrights and other proprietary rights but give WHRO and American Evolution™ nonexclusive rights to use their names, likenesses, quotes, submissions or any part of their submissions for educational, publicity and/or promotional purposes. These include but are not limited to website display, print materials and exhibits.



- WHRO and American Evolution<sup>™</sup> will not be responsible for any claims or complaints from third parties about any disputes of ownership regarding the ideas, solutions or images contained in entries.
- Entrants must credit all sources used in a separately submitted works-cited list in Modern Language Association (MLA) format.
- Content must comply with all local, state and federal laws of the United States of America. Content must not 1) promote illegal behavior; 2) support racial, religious, sexual or other invidious prejudice; 3) advocate sexual or violent exploitation; 4) violate rights established by law or agreement; 5) invade the privacy of any person; or 6) be otherwise inappropriate as determined by the American Evolution<sup>™</sup> or the contest judging committee, in each case in its sole and conclusive determination.
- Entries containing profanity or any content deemed inappropriate by the judges will be disqualified.
- Entries may not defame or invade the privacy or publicity rights of any person, living or deceased, or otherwise infringe upon a person's personal or proprietary rights.
- Entries that describe or perform dangerous conduct, stunts or tricks, conduct that could lead to physical injury, property damage or otherwise violate or are inconsistent with these official rules will be disqualified.

### **Other Rules**

- Any individual team member or entry found in violation of any rule will be disqualified, and depending on the circumstances, the disqualification of any individual team member may result in the disqualification of his or her entire team.
- Winners and their parents or guardians are responsible for all taxes or other fees connected with the prize received.
- WHRO and American Evolution<sup>™</sup> reserve the right to modify or cancel the competition at any time during the duration of the competition for any reason, including but not limited to an insufficient number of qualified entries received.
- American Evolution<sup>™</sup> and WHRO have the right to make the final decision on any point or issue not included or addressed in the entry rules.