



## 2023 Ohio Invention Convention Competition Information

**\*\*\*\*\*NO STUDENT NEEDS TO REGISTER VIA THE GOOGLE FORMS LINK OR IN ZFAIRS UNTIL PROGRAM LEADERS RECEIVE THE LINK TO SHARE WITH YOUR CHOSEN ADVANCING INVENTORS/FAMILIES TO REGISTER FOR THE 2023 OHIO INVENTION CONVENTION REGIONAL VIDEO SUBMISSION *ROUND 1* COMPETITION.**

1. Educators/Districts/Program Leaders must give their final number of students participating by **MARCH 20th** to [amy@inventionleague.org](mailto:amy@inventionleague.org)

2. By **March 27th**, Educators/Districts/Program Leaders will receive a personal email with the number of invitations they have to the **Round 1 Regional 2023 Ohio Invention Convention Regional Video Submission Competition**.

- You choose your inventions to receive invitations and then to register for the **Regional** competition. **Teams** of 2-4 are considered one invitation.
- The invitation will include the link to share with your inventor families and directions on how to register for the **Round 1 Regional Invention Convention Video Submission Competition** in the zFairs registration system.
- If you are a district program, you should consider how you distribute your invitations by individual schools and grade levels so that they are distributed as equally as possible. You will receive your number of invitations based on the size of your district.

3. **Students who have received an invitation to advance by their program must have a video submission, display board (virtual or trifold), and journal (digital version converted to PDF, or Google Doc converted to PDF) uploaded into the zFairs system by **APRIL 21st**.**

6. The **Regions** will be: Central, NE/NW, and SE/SW this program year.

- Your students will only be competing against students in their region for this **Round 1** of competition.
- The **Round 1 Regional** competition will be K-12 inventions competing together for awards in their region.
- There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner (teams are 1 invention) in each region.
- The award-earning inventions will receive a CollegeAdvantage Ohio's 529 savings award and then automatically receive an invitation to the **Round 2 2023 Ohio Invention Convention Live Virtual Zoom Room State Competition** (team awards will be divided evenly between teammates)

- Many other inventions will be automatically determined to advance by the next-highest scores and then down. Their registration (both if team) will be advanced automatically by the OIL team to the **Round 2 - 2023 Ohio Invention Convention State Competition Live Virtual Zoom Room judging circles**.

7. The **Round 2 - 2023 Ohio Invention Convention Live Zoom Room Judging Circles** will be comprised of 6 inventions per circle, 2-3 judges evaluating the inventor's (s) invention process, and an OIL team member. Teams of 2 must share their invention process together. Each teammate **must** speak during the judging session. Both teammates **must** be present. A teammate that is **not** present for the **Round 2** judging circles will not be eligible to win an award.

8. Scores from **Round 1** and **Round 2** will be added together to compute the invention's final score (teams are 1 invention) to determine award-earning inventions in the **2023 Ohio Invention Convention State Competition**.

9. Award-earning inventions in the **2023 Ohio Invention Convention State Competition** will receive CollegeAdvantage Ohio's 529 savings awards (team awards will be divided evenly between teammates).

#### **Awards:**

- Edison Award in each grade category: K-5 and 6-12 - Top-scoring invention in their grade category overall
- Industry Awards - Top-scoring invention in each industry in grade categories K-5 and 6-12.
- Edison award-earning inventions will not be included in Industry scoring.
- Inventors will be given a choice of industries to enter their invention under. Please choose the industry that you believe best suits your invention.
- The OIL has the final determination on which industry an invention will be scored within - If we believe your invention is better suited in another industry, we will automatically change your invention's industry in the zFairs system for scoring purposes.
- Grade category awards: K-1, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9-12

#### **We are back in a live awards ceremony!**

Award-earning inventions will **not** be announced until the **Saturday, July 22nd, Ohio Invention Convention Showcase at Ohio University**.

- **Award-earning students do not need to be present to accept their award.**