



Rotary Club of Canterbury & Canterbury Christ Church University

Chowdhury Pop Up STEM Competition

2020

A COMPETITION FOR OUR TIMES

OPEN TO ALL SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS IN KENT

Information & Rules

What's the challenge?

We are all now aware that there are some new challenges to the way we live with the current problems created by Lockdown.

We challenge you to think of a novel, simple and robust way of making life more enjoyable or solving a problem that you have experienced during Lockdown and the subsequent easing of restrictions.

We are looking for solutions in the form of an idea, device or product (not an app).

PLEASE submit your entries in accordance with the following RULES by 24 July 2020 to the address given below.

RULES

1. Any idea, device or product is eligible as long as it meets the challenge mentioned above and is NOT a computer/phone app.
2. There is no fee for entering.
3. All entries must be from individuals and all entrants must have been students at a secondary school, academy college or similar in Kent at during the 2019/2020 academic year. Winning entries will be verified by the organizers before prizes are awarded.

4. Entries must be submitted by email to rotarycantinf@rotarycanterbury.org.uk
5. Entries must be accompanied with a covering email with the subject line
“**Chowdhury Pop Up STEM Competition**” in the subject line.
6. Entries must be in MS Word or PDF format and use the official entry form.
7. Entrants must outline their idea, device or product in 500-1000 words and add an annotated sketch/diagram to the form or as a separate attachment.
8. The entry **MUST** include the name, age, and school of the entrant and a postal address for only for the purpose of contacting prize-winners and distributing prizes.
9. Entries will be scrutinised by a panel of judges drawn from local business and professionals.
10. The winner will be the entry which, in the opinion of the judges, best meets the challenge. Each entry will also be judged on the following criteria:
 - Originality
 - Clarity
 - Presentation
11. The decision of the judges will be absolute and final.
12. Because of the difficulty caused by the current coronavirus pandemic, there will be no public judging, but as soon as reasonably practicable all entrants will be informed of the judges’ decision.
13. There will be a 1st prize of £100, a 2nd prize of £50, and a 3rd prize of £25. There will also be five 4th prizes of £10 each. (All prizes gifted by the family of Dr Chowdhury).
14. By entering this competition, you will be deemed to have consented to your name, age and school and some details of your entry being publicised in the media and on the organisers’ web sites and social media and, if reasonably requested to do so, to allow your photograph to be taken for those purposes, in the event of your winning.
15. ALL ENTRIES must be submitted in accordance with these Rules to and arrive no later than **24 July 2020**.

Further information about the competition and its benefactor can be found here:

<http://www.rotarycanterbury.org.uk/canterbury-rotary-news/stem-competition-chowdhury.html>