M3 Challenge 2018 — Winning Teams

Of the 913 papers submitted to this year’s Challenge, 185 (20%) advanced to the second round of judging. A total of 37 distinctions are awarded with scholarship prizes, roughly 4% of submissions.

**FINALISTS (Top 6 teams)**
The top six awards, ranging from $5,000 to $20,000, were awarded after the final round of judging on April 30 to teams representing the following high schools.

**M3 Challenge Champions, $20,000 Team Prize**
Los Altos High School
(Team # 10387), Los Altos, California
Coach: Carol Evans
Students: Ryan Huang, Michael Vronsky, Daniel Wang, Justin Yu, Joanne Yuan

**M3 Challenge First Runner Up, $15,000 Team Prize**
Marvin Ridge High School
(Team # 10917), Waxhaw, North Carolina
Coach: Robin Filter
Students: Tyler Bolo, Andrew Claxton, Daniel Haller, Jainith Patel, George Rateb

**M3 Challenge Third Place, $10,000 Team Prize**
Pine View School
(Team # 10494), Osprey, Florida
Coach: Mark Mattia
Students: Chloe Harris, Dylan Hull, Tristan Lee, Zoe McDonald, Sarah Mihm

**M3 Challenge Finalist, $5,000 Team Prize**
Adlai E. Stevenson High School
(Team # 10265), Lincolnshire, Illinois
Coach: Paul Kim
Students: Albert Cao, Andrew Hwang, Deepak Moparthi, Joshua Yoon, Haoyang Yu

**M3 Challenge Finalist, $5,000 Team Prize**
High Technology High School
(Team # 10677), Lincroft, New Jersey
Coach: Raymond Eng
Students: Eric Chai, Kyle Lui, Steven Liu, Adithya Paramasivam, Yihan Wu

**M3 Challenge Finalist, $5,000 Team Prize**
Middlebury Union High School
(Team # 10278), Middlebury, Vermont
Coach: Perry Lessing
Students: Janet Barkdoll, Ezra Marks, Bastiaan Phair, Julian Schmitt, Laura Whitley

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SEMI- FINALIST TEAMS
Papers from the following six teams underwent in-depth discussion and were deemed to be of exceptional quality by judges. They were recognized as Semi-Finalists and received prizes of $1,500 each.

Adlai E. Stevenson High School (Team # 10260), Lincolnshire, Illinois, Coach: Paul Kim
Centennial High School (Team # 11032), Circle Pines, Minnesota, Coach: Dean Kienholz
Fort Mill High School (Team # 10695), Fort Mill, South Carolina, Coach: Cathy Perez
Hamilton High School (Team # 10435), Chandler, Arizona, Coach: Kathleen Royal
Herricks High School (Team # 10725), New Hyde Park, New York, Coach: Trisha Ho
St. Mary’s Academy (Team # 10788), Portland, Oregon, Coach: Ellen Tevik

HONORABLE MENTION TEAMS
Teams representing the following 22 schools were recognized with Honorable Mention distinction. Team prizes of $1,000 each were awarded to them for noteworthy submissions.

ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL, Albany, California
BERGEN COUNTY ACADEMIES, Hackensack, New Jersey
CARMEL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Carmel, Indiana
CENTRAL ACADEMY, Des Moines, Iowa
CHARTER SCHOOL OF WILMINGTON, Wilmington, Delaware
CUMBERLAND VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania
EDWARD W CLARK HIGH SCHOOL, Las Vegas, Nevada
EARLY COLLEGE AT GUILFORD, Greensboro, North Carolina
GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey
GRAPEVINE HIGH SCHOOL, Grapevine, Texas
HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL, Harrison, New York
ILLINOIS MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY, Aurora, Illinois
LOYOLA ACADEMY, Wilmette, Illinois
LOYOLA ACADEMY, Wilmette, Illinois
MILLBURN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Millburn, New Jersey
RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL, Rockville, Maryland
RIDGEFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, Ridgefield, Connecticut
SILVER CREEK HIGH SCHOOL, Longmont, Colorado
TROY HIGH SCHOOL, Fullerton, California
WALTER JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL, Bethesda, Maryland
WESTFORD ACADEMY, Westford, Massachusetts
WHITE STATION HIGH SCHOOL, Memphis, Tennessee

TECHNICAL COMPUTING AWARD TEAMS
Winner $3,000
Los Altos High School
(Team # 10387), Los Altos, California
Coach: Carol Evans / Students: Ryan Huang, Michael Vronsky, Daniel Wang, Justin Yu, Joanne Yuan

Runner Up $2,000
Pine View School
(Team # 10494), Osprey, Florida
Coach: Mark Mattia / Students: Chloe Harris, Dylan Hull, Tristan Lee, Zoe McDonald, Sarah Mihm

Third Place $1,000
Palatine High School
(Team # 10388), Palatine, Illinois
Coach: Melissa Meagher / Students: Evan Eckels, Robbie McCracken, Aciral Saxena, John Wang, Bhargav Yadavalli