M3 Challenge 2020 — Winning Teams

Of the 760 papers submitted to this year’s Challenge, 145 advanced to the second round of judging. A total of 37 distinctions are awarded with scholarship prizes, roughly 4.8% of submissions.

M3 CHALLENGE 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 27 to teams representing the following high schools.

**M3 Challenge Champion, $20,000 Team Prize**
Pine View School (Team #13343), Osprey, Florida
Coach: Mark Mattia / Students: Nicholas Butakow, Pragnya Govindu, Christiana Guan, Michael Gutierrez, Kristoffer Selberg

**M3 Challenge Runner Up, $15,000 Team Prize**
White Station High School (Team #13249), Memphis, Tennessee
Coach: Yanli Cui / Students: Kevin Cao, Andrew Chen, Krishna Dasari, Kevin Luo, Jonathan Zhang

**M3 Challenge Third Place, $10,000 Team Prize**
Adlai E. Stevenson High School (Team #13202), Lincolnshire, Illinois
Coach: Paul Kim / Students: Philena Liu, Brandon Lu, Sai Merneedi, Praneet Rathi, Joshua Tsai

**M3 Challenge Finalist, $5,000 Team Prize**
Columbus North High School (Team #13562), Columbus, Indiana
Coach: Mike Spock / Students: Samantha Heathcote, Vivek Hebbar, Anna Kim, Helen Rumsey, Erica Song

**M3 Challenge Finalist, $5,000 Team Prize**
Pine View School (Team #13344), Osprey, Florida
Coach: Mark Mattia / Students: Alexander Douglas, Jack Gallahan, Vinay Konuru, Julia Kourelakos, Danny McDonald

**M3 Challenge Finalist, $5,000 Team Prize**
Wayzata High School (Team #13702), Plymouth, Minnesota
Coach: William Skerbitz / Students: Brian Lin, George Lyu, Zachary Xiong, Andrew Yang, Audrey Yang

TECHNICAL COMPUTING FINALISTS
The top three awards, ranging from $1,000 to $3,000, were awarded after the final round of judging on April 27 to teams representing the following high schools.

**Technical Computing Winner, $3,000 Team Prize**
Montgomery Blair High School (Team #13662), Silver Spring, Maryland
Coach: David Stein / Students: Jesse Silverberg, Emmy Song, Gabriel Wu, Ambrose Yang, Shawn Zhao

**Technical Computing Runner Up, $2,000 Team Prize**
Troy High School (Team #13638), Fullerton, California
Coach: Don Allen / Students: Soham Bose, Ho Lyun Jeong, Jimmy Li, Rahil Shah

**Technical Computing Third Place, $1,000 Team Prize**
Huron High School (Team #13403), Ann Arbor, Michigan
Coach: Philip Eliason / Students: Anirudh Cowlagi, Julie Heng, James Xiu, Benjamin Zhang, Derek Zhu

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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 #13201), Lincolnshire, Illinois, Coach: Paul Kim
American Heritage School (Team #13958), Plantation, Florida, Coach: Radleigh Santos
Greenwich High School (Team #13599), Greenwich, Connecticut, Coach: Maryann Franchella
Montgomery Blair High School (Team #13662), Silver Spring, Maryland, Coach: David Stein
North Carolina School of Science-Math (Team #13751), Durham, North Carolina, Coach: Daniel Teague
William Fremd High School (Team #13429), Palatine, Illinois, Coach: Christopher Grattoni

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.
ACADEMY FOR INFORMATION TECH, SCOTCH PLAINS, New Jersey
BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL, BEDFORD, New Hampshire
BERGEN COUNTY ACADEMIES, HACKENSACK, New Jersey
CARMEL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, CARMEL, Indiana
FAIR LAWN HIGH SCHOOL, FAIR LAWN, New Jersey
HIGH TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL, LINCROFT, New Jersey
JOHNS CREEK HIGH SCHOOL, JOHNS CREEK, Georgia
JOHNSTON HIGH SCHOOL, JOHNSTON, Iowa
JULIA R MASTERMAN MID HIGH SCHOOL, PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania
LOYOLA ACADEMY, WILMETTE, Illinois
MATES ACADEMY TECH ENVIRON SCI, MANAHAWKIN, New Jersey
MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL OF MATH & SCIENCE, COLUMBUS, Mississippi
MONTA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL, CUPERTINO, California
NUEVA SCHOOL, HILLSBOROUGH, California
OXFORD ACADEMY, CYPRESS, California
PITTSFORD MENDON HIGH SCHOOL, PITTSFORD, New York
RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL, ROCKVILLE, Maryland
STAPLES HIGH SCHOOL, WESTPORT, Connecticut
STEPHEN HEMPSTEAD HIGH SCHOOL, DUBUQUE, Iowa
UPPER ST CLAIR HIGH SCHOOL, UPPER ST CLAIR, Pennsylvania
WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, WESTFIELD, New Jersey
WILLIAM MASON HIGH SCHOOL, MASON, Ohio

TECHNICAL COMPUTING HONORABLE MENTION TEAM
A team representing the following school was recognized with Honorable Mention distinction for noteworthy submission.
High Technology High School (Team #13555), Lincroft, New Jersey
Coach: Eileen LeBlanc / Students: Adithya Balachandran, Gustav Hansen, Emily Jiang, Jason Yan