



# MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge

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## Final Event: April 27, 2026

### PROGRAM

7:30 Arrive at Jane Street; all-team photo

#### WELCOME BREAKFAST

8:00 *Opening Remarks*

#### TEAM PRESENTATIONS

8:45 **American Heritage Schools, Palm Beach Campus**  
Team #18753

9:10 **Haberdashers' Elstree School**  
Team #18612  
(Technical Computing)

9:35 **Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology**  
Team #19421

10:00 **Stuyvesant High School**  
Team #19068  
(Technical Computing)

10:25 **Lake Ridge Academy**  
Team #19224

10:50 *10-minute Break*

11:00 **Liberty High School**  
Team #19018

11:25 **Colchester Royal Grammar School**  
Team #18907  
(Technical Computing)

11:50 **Edison Academy Magnet School**  
Team #19140

12:15 **Arizona College Prep High School**  
Team #19232

#### MEET OUR HOST: LUNCH & PRESENTATION

12:40 *Lunch buffet*

1:00 *Introduction to Jane Street*

1:30 *Jane Street Panel*  
Moderator, Emma Karlan

#### AWARDS CEREMONY AND RECEPTION

2:30 *"Best of" video: M3 Challenge 2026 Experience*

*Remarks*

Dr. Suzanne Weekes, Chief Executive Officer, SIAM

*Outstanding Communication of Results and*

*Technical Computing Scholarship Prizes*

Tanya Kuruvilla, MathWorks

*M3 Challenge Team Prizes*

Grace K. Murrin, Programs Manager, SIAM

3:00 *Team Photos & Optional Jane Street Tours*

*\*Teams may participate in Jane Street Tours after they have had their photo(s) taken or while they wait for their scheduled photo time.*

4:00 *Meet at Marriott for transport to airport/trains/vans*



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**Host:**  
**Jane Street**  
**250 Vesey Street**  
**New York, New York 10281**

# 2026 Problem

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### FINALISTS

M3 Challenge Finalist Awards honor teams for the most outstanding mathematical approaches to the problem through modeling, justifying assumptions, describing their process, analyzing effects of change, and summarizing results. The top six teams will present their papers and winners will be announced at the awards ceremony.

#### **American Heritage Schools, Palm Beach Campus**

Delray Beach, Florida (Team #18753)  
Coach: Derek Rampal  
Students: Siyuan Du, Rayan Kha,  
Joseph Levenston, Rishan Thangaraj,  
David Zapata

#### **Arizona College Prep High School**

Chandler, Arizona (Team #19232)  
Coach: Jonathan Thompson  
Students: Akil Gopinath, Rishi Malatkar,  
Varun Sunku, Vishnu Tailor

#### **Edison Academy Magnet School**

Edison, New Jersey (Team #19140)  
Coach: Michelle Gomes  
Students: Sreethan Gangavarapu,  
Vedaswaroop Kunamneni, Ishan Nagpal,  
Alexander Poon, Ashwath Ram

#### **Liberty High School**

Frisco, Texas (Team #19018)  
Coach: Jennifer Harrison  
Students: Rohan Bansal,  
Toyeshh Medikonda, Abhay Murthy,  
Akshay Murthy, Vikshar Rajesh

#### **Lake Ridge Academy**

North Ridgeville, Ohio (Team #19224)  
Coach: Jake Lord  
Students: Eric Shin, Kisen Yao,  
Shirley You

#### **Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology**

Alexandria, Virginia (Team #19421)  
Coach: Sewon Yang  
Students: Varun Ananthakrishnan,  
Adhiraj Chhoda, Shresth Jaiswal,  
Ashwath Muppa, Agastya Sondhi

### TECHNICAL COMPUTING FINALISTS

This year 248 papers were considered for MATLAB Technical Computing Awards for outstanding use of programming to analyze, design, and conceive a solution for the problem. The top three teams will present their papers and winners will be announced at the awards ceremony.

#### **Colchester Royal Grammar School**

Colchester, England (Team #18907)  
Coach: Steven Loxley  
Students: Diart Olluri, Gyula Rabai,  
Calvin Vu, Stanislaw Wancerski

#### **Haberdashers' Elstree School**

Borehamwood, England (Team #18612)  
Coach: Kim Harrison  
Students: Anika Gupte, Arav Mathur,  
Aarav Rajput, Sofia Rusche, Shah

#### **Stuyvesant High School**

New York, New York (Team #19068)  
Coach: Patrick Honner  
Students: Jayden Kim, Daniel Li,  
Katie Wong, Cyrus Yau, Andrew Zang

### TEAM SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: \$100,000 OR £75,000

M3 Challenge Champion .....	\$20,000 or £15,000+
M3 Challenge Runner Up.....	\$15,000 or £11,400+
M3 Challenge Third Place .....	\$10,000 or £7,500+
M3 Challenge Finalists (3).....	\$5,000 or £3,750+ each
M3 Challenge Semi-Finalists (6).....	\$1,500 or £1,100+ each
M3 Challenge Honorable Mentions (19) .....	\$1,000 or £750+ each
Technical Computing Finalists (3) .....	\$3,000, \$2,000, \$1,000 or £2,250+, £1,500+, £750+
SPARK Award Winners (3).....	\$3,000, \$2,000, \$1,000
Outstanding Communication of Results.....	\$500 or £375+ each

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### SEMI-FINALISTS

Papers from the following six schools underwent in-depth discussion and were deemed of exceptional quality by judges. These teams are recognized as semi-finalists and will receive awards of \$1,500 each.

#### **Adlai E. Stevenson High School**

Lincolnshire, Illinois (Team #18486)

Coach: Paul Kim

Students: Atrey Iyer,  
Likhith Nimmanapalli,  
Hemanth Samayamantri

#### **High Technology High School**

Lincroft, New Jersey (Team #19058)

Coach: Adam Iatesta

Students: Rohan Arni, Niyel Hassan,  
Ashwin Kolli-Johnson,  
Alexander Mazurczyk, Saketh Satti

#### **James B. Conant High School**

Hoffman Estates, Illinois (Team #18908)

Coach: Meg McCaliano

Students: Skanda Athreya,  
Aarush Bharthepudi, Ansh Patel,  
Joshua Park, Austin Wu

#### **King Edward VI Grammar School**

Chelmsford, England (Team #19050)

Coach: Doug Johnson

Students: William Banthorpe,  
Jules Bennie, Andy Jaros,  
Sushant Lankothu, Ellie Sobolev

#### **Mission San Jose High School**

Fremont, California (Team #18630)

Coach: Ai-Chen Liu

Students: Geetansh Dhuria, Caleb Ma,  
Aditya Ojha, Aditya Palit,  
Aashrith Yedavalli

#### **Troy High School**

Troy, Michigan (Team #18790)

Coach: Margaret Slankster

Students: Aarush Das, William Dong,  
Pratyush Neelakantan,  
Matthew Vijayasegar, Nathan Wang

### HONORABLE MENTIONS

Teams representing the following schools are recognized for honorable mention distinction. Awards of \$1,000 will be awarded to each of these 19 teams for noteworthy submissions.

#### **Adlai E. Stevenson High School**

Lincolnshire, Illinois (Team #19353)

#### **Denmark High School**

Alpharetta, Georgia (Team #19398)

#### **Everglades High School**

Miramar, Florida (Team #19126)

#### **Haberdashers' Elstree School**

Borehamwood, England (Team #18612)

#### **Illinois Mathematics and**

#### **Science Academy**

Aurora, Illinois (Team #19237)

#### **King Edward VI School**

Stratford-upon-Avon, England (Team #18536)

#### **Lambert High School**

Suwanee, Georgia (Team #19317)

#### **Lightridge High School**

Aldie, Virginia (Team #18961)

#### **Livingston High School**

Livingston, New Jersey (Team #18609)

#### **New Albany High School**

New Albany, Ohio (Team #19145)

#### **Novi High School**

Novi, Michigan (Team #18601)

#### **Plantation High School**

Plantation, Florida (Team #18926)

#### **St. John's School**

Houston, Texas (Team #18599)

#### **St. John's School**

Houston, Texas (Team #18608)

#### **Stuyvesant High School**

New York, New York (Team #19077)

#### **The Blue Coat School**

Liverpool, England (Team #18914)

#### **Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology**

Alexandria, Virginia (Team #19172)

#### **White Station High School**

Memphis, Tennessee (Team #19120)

#### **Whitney Middle High School**

Cerritos, California (Team #19402)



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## ABOUT M3 CHALLENGE

MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge (M3 Challenge) is the prestigious internet-based competition known for providing a transformative high school experience to inspire students to pursue STEM majors and careers. The contest, organized by Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) and sponsored by leading software developer MathWorks, is free and open to students in the U.S., England, and Wales. M3 Challenge will award top teams this year with \$100,000+ or £75,000+ in scholarships to use for their higher education. M3 Challenge has awarded more than \$1.95 million in scholarships to date.

Teams of three to five junior/senior or sixth form students spend up to 14 hours on Challenge weekend devising and submitting a solution to the Challenge problem, which is not revealed to them until they log in. Following a rigorous multi-stage judging process, six finalist teams and three technical computing awardees present their findings live to a final judge panel to determine the final rank order. Learn more at [m3challenge.siam.org](http://m3challenge.siam.org).

## ABOUT MATHWORKS

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