



Official Contest Rules: “Name the Robot + Innovation Essay Contest.”

Hosted by: Cleveland County Economic Development Coalition (CCEDC)

Website: www.ClevelandCountyCoalition.com

1. Sponsor

This contest is sponsored by the **Cleveland County Economic Development Coalition (CCEDC)** (“Sponsor”). This contest is not sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with any school district, social media platform, or other third party.

2. Eligibility

To be eligible, students must meet the following criteria at the time of entry:

- **Residency:** Enrolled in Pre K–12 in a public, private, or home school located in Cleveland County, Oklahoma (including Norman, Moore, Noble, Lexington, Slaughterville, South Oklahoma City portions within the county, and other districts serving Cleveland County students).
- **Consent:** Must have parent/guardian permission to participate.

Divisions

- **Elementary (Pre K–5):** “Name the Robot” (Proposed name + 25–50-word explanation).
- **Middle (6–8):** 600–800-word essay on *“Why innovation matters to my community.”*
- **High (9–12):** 800–1000-word essay on *“How local innovation creates career opportunities where I live,”* including at least one idea for how the robot could be used in school or the community.

Note: Employees, board members, and contractors of Sponsor (and their immediate family/household members) may participate for recognition only; they are not eligible for monetary or material prizes.

3. Contest Period

Submissions open: August 1, 2026

Submissions deadline: September 30, 2026

Winners announced: October 2026

4. How to Enter

1. Online Form: Complete the entry at www.ClevelandCountyCoalition.com including student details, school/teacher info, parent contact, and the submission.
2. Alternative Submission: Schools unable to use the online form may email info@selectclevelandcounty.com with the same required information.
3. Limits: One (1) entry per student. Multiple entries may result in disqualification.

5. Content Requirements

- Originality: Entries must be the student's own original work.
- Prohibitions: Entries must not infringe on copyrights, contain profanity/hate speech, reference specific political candidates/issues, or include unauthorized personal data of others.
- Editing: Sponsor reserves the right to lightly edit winning entries for grammar or length for publication purposes.

6. Judging & Criteria

All entries will be judged by a panel selected by the Sponsor. Where practical, entries will be reviewed "blind" (names/schools removed).

- **30%** – Creativity & Originality
- **30%** – Relevance to Theme (Innovation, Community, Workforce)
- **20%** – Clarity & Quality of Writing
- **20%** – Suitability & Thoughtfulness

7. Prizes

Division	1st Place	Runner-Ups (Up to 2)
Elementary	Classroom robot visit, certificate, and classroom STEM prize (approx. \$300 value).	Certificate + Small prize pack
Middle	\$500 educational grant to the winner's school for STEM resources, certificate, and robot event invitation.	\$150 Classroom Grant + Certificate
High	\$1,000 scholarship (or equivalent educational opportunity), certificate, and robot event invitation.	\$250 Scholarship + Certificate

Prizes are non-transferable. Taxes/fees are the responsibility of the recipient/guardian.

8. Winner Selection & Notification

- Notification: Winners will be contacted by email or phone.
- Forfeiture: If a winner cannot be reached within 10 business days, an alternate may be selected.

9. Ownership, Privacy, & Publicity

- Ownership: Students retain copyright, but grant Sponsor a perpetual, royalty-free license to use the entry for educational and promotional purposes.
- Privacy: Personal info is used only for administration and will never be sold.

- Publicity: Winners may be featured on the CCEDC website, social media, and local news releases.

10. General Conditions

The Sponsor reserves the right to cancel or modify the contest if technical issues compromise its integrity. By entering, participants agree to these Rules and the laws of the State of Oklahoma. Any disputes shall be resolved in the courts of Cleveland County, OK.