

# 2026 Special Awards

## DuPont Excellence in Teaching Award

The DuPont Excellence in Teaching Award salutes teachers for many years of dedication and service to the Delaware Valley Science Fairs and support of STEM education in their communities. The winning teachers receive \$500, a plaque, and an all-expenses paid trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair.

*Dina Ellsworth from High Technology High School in the Jersey Shore Science Fair*

*Megan Strang from Lower Alloways Creek School in the Salem County Science Fair*

## AFCEA - Philadelphia Chapter

is awarding these prizes to the best high school science research projects related to communications, intelligence or information systems fields. Each student will receive a gift card, formal certificate, and a one year membership to AFCEA.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$200 - Jocelyn Jiang*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$150 - Rohit Rajagopalan*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$100 - Pranshu Patel*

*Honorable Mention \$50 - Jude Snyder*

## American Association for Cancer Research Award

is offered to student projects that align with their mission to prevent and cure cancer through research, education, communication and collaboration. The AACR will send each winner a monetary prize and some AACR swag.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$250 - Aarush Shah*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$150 - Athena Man*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$100 - Radika Dudda*

## American Chemical Society - Delaware Section

DE-ACS is awarding these prizes to projects that align with their mission to advance the broader chemistry enterprise and its practitioners for the benefit of Earth and its people. Each winner receives a gift card with their certificate.

*HS 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$100 - Olivia Yoon*

*MS 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$100 - Julianna Neas*

*HS 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$50 - Sriya Gorrepati*

*MS 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$50 - Andrew Lucadamo*

*HS 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$25 - Maya Brown*

*MS 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$25 - Camille Leggett*

## American Entomological Society - Calvert Award

is awarding these prizes to students showing interest and promise in the study of insects, preferably relating to local species. All winners receive a gift card, an award letter, a one year membership in AES which includes a subscription to *Entomological News*, and an invitation to an AES meeting in the spring.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$150 - Helen Si*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$100 - Rianna Mitra*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$50 - Lillian Lan*

*Honorable Mention \$25 - Likhitha Inampudi*

### **American Psychological Association**

is pleased to award outstanding research projects in psychological science. Winners receive a certificate of achievement and a complimentary one-year student affiliate membership in APA.

*Eleanor Biborosch, Swara Desai, Shoshana Howard and Malaika Khan*

### **American Society for Microbiology - Eastern PA**

is honoring outstanding projects related to the field of microbiology. They also recognize the teacher of our Division winners for encouraging the student's research. All will receive a certificate of achievement, and each Division winner will also earn a gift card.

*HS Division \$200 Amazon gift card - Jiacheng Li*

*Teacher - Ann Zalasky from Springside Chestnut Hill Academy in the George Washington Carver Science Fair  
Honorable Mention certificate - Parv Chikani and George Simeone*

*MS Division \$100 Amazon gift card - Suhana Hemanth*

*Teacher - Yajamana Ramu from Frances S. DeMasi Middle School in the Coriell Science Fair  
Honorable Mention certificate - Dominick Calabrese*

### **American Society of Civil Engineers - Philadelphia Section**

presents these civil engineering awards to projects with evidence of technical competence that promote the advancement of the profession. Each student wins a cash prize and a plaque. The first place winners are also invited to share their projects at the ASCE Spring Social.

*HS 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$150 - Ellia Sales*

*MS 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$150 - Fionn Isaacson*

*HS 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$100 - Chase Irwin*

*MS 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$100 - Kaito Kiuchi*

### **American Society of Highway Engineers - Delaware Valley Section**

is awarding these prizes to outstanding highway-related projects that show intuitiveness and ingenuity as they relate to the highway industry. Each winner receives a certificate tonight, and ASHE will send a monetary award after the fair.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$350 - Selena Zhang*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$150 - Ellia Sales*

### **American Society of Naval Engineers - Delaware Valley Section**

is proud to award prizes to projects that span virtually all fields of science and engineering, as applied to Navy vessels and aircraft. Each winner receives \$500 and a formal certificate from ASNE after the fair.

*Leilah Dinh and Aryan Kapoor*

### **American Statistical Association - Philadelphia Chapter**

is awarding a \$150 prize and certificate to science fair projects demonstrating the best use of statistics.

*Grades 11 & 12 – Nazifa Arna*

*Grades 9 & 10 – Angela Yang*

*Middle School – Rebecca Kolpon*

### **Bill Rissinger Award for Earth & Space Sciences**

This award honors a man that was an outstanding educator and friend. He was a middle school science teacher for almost forty years and the director of the Bucks County Science Fair. He was part of the original DVSF leadership team working with Henry Disston, the first Director of Mentorship and a medals judge for

many years. He was kind, honest and reflective not only with his young science research students, but also with his colleagues and new teachers. He was a self-proclaimed “science fair junkie” and deeply believed in the value of scientific research. He showed a genuine interest in the students’ work and was a guiding force to help them realize that the deepest learning often came from our mistakes. He had such a broad range of knowledge and an endless Rolodex of contacts to help others achieve their goals. He was everyone’s favorite teacher and inspired many to go into the fields of education and STEM. The love and commitment he gave to his students and his job deserve respect and admiration and DVSF is proud to honor him with this Earth and Space Science Award. The winner receives \$200 and a certificate.

*Owen Soheily from Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science and the Jersey Shore Science Fair*

### **Broadcom Coding with Commitment Award**

is uniquely intended to reward a student’s passion for improving the community and for attempting to apply basic coding or rudimentary computational thinking to solve a problem the student cares about. The winner receives a certificate, \$250 and a Raspberry Pi Pico kit.

*Krish Bansal from Henry C. Beck Middle School and the Coriell Science Fair*

**Chromatography Forum of Delaware Valley** is honored to partner with DVSF, and is pleased to recognize the accomplishments of talented young scientists whose projects employ the principles and techniques of chromatography and the separation sciences. Each winner will receive a \$100 gift card and certificate to celebrate their achievements.

*Katherine Liu, Anshika Lodha, Athena Man, Nitya Ravula and Anna Ries*

### **Citadel Securities Innovation Prize**

This sponsor awards young scientists who are using innovation and expert data analysis to address and solve real-world problems. Each student will receive \$100 and a certificate.

*HS – Aria Patel*

*MS – Rajjika Basu*

### **Community College of Philadelphia**

The CCP Junior STEM Academy STEAM Summer Camp Award is presented to middle school students who show potential for scientific inquiry. Students will choose from a variety of STEAM-themed camps that work together to produce their summer musical, *The Wiz*. They include Coding & 3D Printing, Construction Engineering and Stage Design, Visual Arts and Performing Arts. This award covers the cost of tuition and must be used the same summer as the receipt of the award. The estimated value of the award is \$550. Please see the Award Letter for more details.

*Helena Baduni from St. Peter’s School and the George Washington Carver Science Fair*

### **Constellation Energy Award**

is given to outstanding projects that align with the company’s mission to promote the use of clean energy and reduce our carbon footprint. Each winner will receive \$100 in addition to their certificate.

*Ayush Jalani, Nicole Jang, Sai Panneerselvam, Anirud Sriram and Kelvin Zhang*

### **Delaware Audubon Society - Red Knot Award of Excellence**

is awarding the Red Knot Award of Excellence to students whose projects align with their mission of promoting species and habitat conservation, particularly those showing interest and promise in the study of birds. All winners receive a certificate, with a monetary prize and one year membership in the Delaware Audubon Society sent from DAS after the fair.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$150 - Tyler Steinbrunn*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$75 - Nishad Karthik*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$50 - Aarya Sethukarthy*

*Honorable Mention \$25 - Nolan Clark*

### **Department of Defense (DoD) STEM Leadership Prize**

is presented to a middle school project that excels in STEM knowledge and technical skills, demonstrates problem-solving skills and determination to overcome challenges throughout their research project, and exemplifies leadership qualities through excellent communication skills and creative thinking. The winner will receive \$100 in addition to their certificate.

*Katherine Li from Charles F. Patton Middle School and the Chester County Science Research Competition*

### **Engineers' Club of Philadelphia**

honors future leaders in the engineering field to ensure excellence in engineering continues for generations to come. Each winner will receive \$250 and a certificate.

*Grades 11 & 12 – Tyler Steinbrunn*

*Grades 9 & 10 – Aadi Kenjale*

*Middle School – Fionn Isaacson*

### **Future Forward Labs Emerging Scientist**

This award honors dedication, curiosity, and innovative approaches to science that have distinguished its winners as emerging leaders in the student scientific community. Each winner will receive \$100 and a premium subscription to Admit IQ to assist them with future research endeavors.

*12th Grade - Quincy Griffith*

*11th Grade - Tristyn Howard*

*10th Grade - Kadiatou Balde*

*9th Grade - Sophia Ogundele*

### **Henry Disston Director's Award**

We believe that perseverance and commitment to STEM research should be acknowledged. This \$500 award and trophy goes to a student that has competed in DVSF all through middle school and high school, not just in hopes of earning top awards, but because of a desire to learn and explore STEM concepts.

*Aditya Joshi from Haverford High School and the Delaware County and Engineering Fair*

### **Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers - Philadelphia Section**

is pleased to present these awards for excellence and outstanding effort in the development and construction of projects in the IEEE fields of interest. Each winner receives a certificate tonight, and IEEE will send a monetary prize after the fair.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$300 and plaque – Megan Mou*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$200 and plaque – Pranshu Patel*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$100 and plaque - Jessica Tian*

*Honorable Mention \$50 and certificate - Rajika Basu*

### **John C. Sargent Jr. Memorial Award**

This award honors the memory of John C. Sargent Jr. by recognizing an outstanding science research project in aerospace, GPS, or some other type of communication. The student will be receiving \$500 and a certificate.

*Aadhavan Rengapragash from Lenape High School and the Coriell Science Fair*

### **Johnson & Johnson Award for Biotechnology or Pharmaceutical Science**

recognizes excellence in biotechnology or pharmaceutical science research with several awards. Each student will receive a certificate and gift card.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$500 – Kai Vajapey*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$300 – Cecilia Petersson*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$200 – Jason Xiao*

*Honorable Mention \$100 - Harlene Aulakh, Athena Man, Nitya Ravula, Ananya Relia and Ray Tong*

### **The Lemelson Foundation partnered with Society for Science**

is proud to award The Lemelson Early Inventor Prize to the top inventor, for exemplifying the ideals of inventive thinking by addressing a challenge seen in the community and creating a solution that will improve the lives of others. The winner receives \$100 and a certificate.

*Riddik Sri Satya Neetipalli from Cab Calloway School of the Arts and the New Castle County Science Fair*

### **Merck Science Achievement Award**

honors excellent projects relating to drug discovery and human health. Each winner will receive \$100 and a certificate.

*Kashvi Bhatia, Ankana Ghosh, Riddima Pandey, Abinaya Ramesh, Ananya Relia, Hairong Wang, Jason Xiao, Abhidev Yelampalli, Melanie Zhu and Christopher Zhuang*

### **Mid-Atlantic Society of Toxicology Award**

recognizes the best science research project with a strong toxicology focus. The winners will receive an Amazon gift card and a certificate. The Most Exceptional Toxicology Related Poster will also be invited to present their work at the MASOT Regional Fall Meeting.

*Most Exceptional Toxicology Related Poster \$150 – Michael Engle*

*Most Outstanding Toxicology Related Poster \$100 – Arisha Islam*

*Outstanding Toxicology Related Poster \$50 – Olivia Braddock*

### **Mixit - Kohlhaas Award**

This award is in memory of two extraordinary men that supported the science fair for many years. Jack Mixit was one of the DVSF directors and worked at the Franklin Institute during the 1960s and 70s when the science fairs were held there. Donald Kohlhaas has been a long supporter of the fair and established this award to honor his friend Jack. Mr. Kohlhaas passed away in August 2021 and his family has graciously offered to continue sponsoring this award. DVSF is proud to honor these two men who were creative, loved to demonstrate science and strongly believed in the benefits of science fairs. Each winner will receive \$100 and a certificate.

*Saharsh Boddu, Swara Desai, Emma Ho, Salma Jouihan, Kylie Kiker, Camille Leggett, Kavya Patel and Harlow Stover*

### **New Jersey Water Environment Association**

honors science research that addresses water pollution and/or are water resource projects. The winner must reside in NJ and will receive an invitation to the NJWEA annual conference where the student will be presented with \$500 and a plaque.

*The team of Katie Ho, Aden Rella and Kyle Wlazlowski from Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science in the Jersey Shore Science Fair*

### **Office of Naval Research Naval Science Award**

The United States Navy and Marine Corps take pleasure in recognizing projects that demonstrate student learning about the chosen subject and scientific process, as well as the ability to discuss the work intelligently. High school students will receive a \$50 gift card, a medallion and a certificate. Middle school students will receive a \$25 gift card, a medallion and a certificate.

*High School Senior Division - Avvin Budhiraja, Surya Garimella, Veronica Gonzalez, Aryan Kapoor, Vihaan Khare, Megan Mou, Gayathri Nair, Stephanie Sang, Rachel Thomas and Andrew Yang*

*Middle School Junior Division - Mili Chavan, Anjali Jha, Reagan Myers, Owen Silva and Guytano Stevens*

### **Parenteral Drug Association - Delaware Valley Chapter**

awards excellent research relating to studies with an impact on human health. Each student will receive a certificate tonight and \$500 at the PDA Delaware Valley Event in June.

*Abhay Chaturuthy, Parv Chikani, Alexis Cho, Radika Dudda, You-Jun Liou, Eshaan Nandy, Megha Rao, Sharan Senthil, Chloe Wnek and Melanie Zhu*

### **Pennsylvania Council of Professional Geologists - Grover H. Emrich Memorial Award**

recognizes an exemplary project that uses the principles of applied geology (earth science) to research issues relevant to human activity where geological factors play a role. Potential topics include environmental contaminants, water supply impacts, groundwater assessment, climate change, mineral exploration, mining, petroleum exploration and engineering geology for disaster management of landslides, floods, earthquakes, etc. The winner receives \$1000 and a certificate.

*Owen Soheily from Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science and the Jersey Shore Science Fair*

### **Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers - Valley Forge Chapter**

proudly recognizes projects from each grade level that exhibit the promise of future engineering excellence. Each winner receives a gift card and a certificate.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$50 and certificate – Kartik Gupta, Aryan Kapoor, Kaito Kiuchi, Aryan Mitra and Rohit Rajagopalan*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$25 and certificate - Rajika Basu, Melanie Haug, Naman Mandloi, Tyler Steinbrunn and Rachel Thomas*

### **Philadelphia Society for Coatings Technology**

awards projects that foster a better understanding of the technology required in the manufacture of paints and coatings, and the development of more environmentally safe products. Winners receive a monetary prize and certificate.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place \$500 - Sriya Gorrepati*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$350 - Chetan Kasukurthi and Viraj Mehta*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$250 – Bener Dulger and Kanata Sasaki*

### **Power of Collaborative Teamwork from Marilyn Hosang**

As a long time judge, Ms. Hosang recognizes that one of our most powerful research tools is the ability to collaborate. The DVSF teams need to be able to communicate clearly with each other, and find a way to distribute the workload fairly. This prize honors the Power of Collaborative Teamwork by awarding each member of the winning middle school teams a \$125 Amazon gift card and a certificate of achievement.

*Shreyaan Kovur, Tharun Sudhakar and Jaswanth Velpula for their project “Smart Vision”*

*Minuji Gunarathna and Minuki Gunarathna for their project “Human Detection”*

### **Regeneron Biomedical Science Award**

recognizes an exceptional student scientist who not only demonstrates an impressive command of biomedical science and research, but also embodies Regeneron's core values and behaviors known as The Regeneron Way. The winner receives \$375 and a certificate.

*Matthew Lo from Haverford High School and the Delaware County Science and Engineering Fair*

### **Roy F. Weston Memorial Award for Environmental Sciences**

honors the ability and creativity of student research in environmental sciences. The winner will receive \$500 and a certificate.

*Gillian Alcid from Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science and the Jersey Shore Science Fair*

*Shivani Shankar from Central Bucks High School South and the Bucks County Science Research Competition*

### **Saint-Gobain NA**

is proud to recognize student research that has a positive impact on our society and planet.

The Saint-Gobain Foundation Junior Sustainability Award is for four middle school students whose projects demonstrate sustainability, recycled material use, carbon reduction, and circular economy solutions. Each winner receives \$200 and a certificate.

*Emily Bieryla, Arham Khara, Derek Lind and Sai Panneerselvam*

The Saint-Gobain Foundation Sustainability Award is given to eight high school student researchers that demonstrate sustainability, recycled material use, carbon reduction, and circular economy solutions. Two winners at each grade level will receive \$400 and a certificate.

*12th Grade - Quinlan Miller and Kelvin Zhang*

*11th Grade - Ansh Jaggi and Anirud Sriram*

*10th Grade - Chase Irwin and Ayush Jalani*

*9th Grade - Rajdheera Dodda and Nicole Jang*

The Saint-Gobain Innovation @Malvern Prize is awarded to the project in the fair that best encompasses Saint-Gobain's mission of making the world a better home. The project selected shows how the solution has a positive impact on everyone's life and provides well-being, quality of life and performance, while caring for the planet. This winner receives \$1000.

*Sherwin Dsouza from Devon Preparatory School and the Chester County Science Research Competition*

### **Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry - Hudson Delaware Chapter**

honors high school projects that promote the development of principles and practices for the protection, enhancement and management of sustainable environmental quality and ecosystem integrity. Each winner will receive a \$100 gift card and a certificate.

*Anjali Jha, Justin Peng and Guhan Sathish*

### **Society of Tribologists and Lubrication Engineers - Philadelphia Section**

honors student research that relates to lubrication or corrosion prevention. Each winner will receive a \$100 gift card and a certificate.

*Dhruvika Aryasomayajula, Lucas D'Alessandris, Sriya Gorrepati, Sophia Ogundele and Anthony Wang*

### **Society of Women Engineers - Philadelphia**

is proud to recognize outstanding science projects which typify engineering principles and methods. All winners will receive a certificate of achievement. The first and second place winners will also be given a gift card.

*Additionally, a \$1000 Dorothy Hoffman Award will be awarded to Anshika Lodha at the SWE Philadelphia's year-end celebration.*

*1st Place \$100 - Rajika Basu, Grace Byard, Anshika Lodha, Ria Shankar and Jessica Tian*

*2nd Place \$50 - Melanie Haug, Emma Ho, Nivi Jain, Trisha Nagre and Chloe Wnek*

*Honorable Mention - Zoe Alexander, Ishani Basu, Delaney Benckert, Rachel Chisenhall, Disha Jain, Jocelyn Jiang, Aanya Kodipyaka, Ellah Kohler, Jophy Lin, Rithika Mannem, Dania Martinez, Manya Mehta, Megan Mou, Srishti Rajendran and Ellia Sales*

### **Thermo Fisher Scientific - Philadelphia Area Community Action Council**

The Advancing Equity Through Innovation Award is presented by the Thermo Fisher Scientific Philadelphia Area Community Action Council. They recognize projects that promote an equitable society that is healthier, cleaner, and safer for all. Each student will receive \$100 and a certificate.

*Avvin Budhiraja, Ananya Ganduri, Isabella Morgan, Monita Rijal and Jason Xiao*

### **US Air Force**

is proud to pay tribute to young high achievers that will strengthen the nation's STEM future through their ideas and imaginations. Each student will receive a certificate and an award package of USAF swag.

*Rahul Gupta, Ivan Lee, Sarah Omezzine and Laksh Patel*

### **US Stockholm Junior Water Prize**

US-SJWP and the Water Environment Federation honor science research that is aimed at enhancing the quality of life through improvement of water quality, water resource management, or water and wastewater treatment. The winner receives a certificate, an invitation to compete in their state's US Stockholm Junior Water competition and a one-year student membership in the Water Environment Federation.

*Greeshma Konda, Atharv Rajesh and the team of Katie Ho, Aden Rella and Kyle Wlazlowski*

### **West Pharmaceutical Services**

is proud to recognize science projects that demonstrate creativity and scientific thought in the areas of research and innovation. Each winner, including all team members, will receive a certificate and a \$300 gift card.

*Biochemistry Awards: Dia Srivastava, Hairong Wang and Melanie Zhu*

*Chemistry Awards: Harlene Aulakh and Ananya Deekshith*

*Computer Science Award: Neha Atchyuthuni and Carl Stoltz*

*Engineering Awards: Grace Byard, Dania Martinez, Eshaan Nandy and Rachel Thomas*

*Medicine and Health Awards: Siri Matta and Mst Tayaiba*

*HS Team Award: Vincent Gao and James Lin*

*MS Team Award: Aiza Hassan and Parinitha Sri Pati*

### **WL Gore and Associates**

sponsors two awards. Each honors students with gift cards of \$100 for first place, \$50 for second place and \$25 for third place. The Innovation Award recognizes projects that demonstrate exceptional creativity and innovation in science research.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place - Tyler Steinbrunn*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Rajika Basu*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Tyler Torres*

The Material Science Research Award honors outstanding material science research projects.

*1<sup>st</sup> Place - Shatkon Sathish*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Nghi Ngo*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Ivan Lee*

### **Yale Science and Engineering Association**

recognizes outstanding 11th grade projects in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Each student will receive a certificate and an E-book from the Yale University Press.

*Sherwin Dsouza, Tejas Karusala, Alex Oh and Terrance Xia*

## **\*\*\* SCHOLARSHIPS \*\*\***

### **Botstiber Foundation Scholarship**

The Dietrich W. Botstiber Foundation Scholarship honors talented students whose research is related to science, technology and commerce, or mitigating human-wildlife conflicts to promote coexistence worldwide. This year's winner receives a \$25,000 unrestricted scholarship, with \$6250 being awarded each year for four years pending maintenance of full-time status and good academic standing.

*Quinlan Miller from the Ranney School and the Jersey Shore Science Fair*

### **Community College of Philadelphia**

The Community College of Philadelphia is sponsoring four awards for their Advance College Experience (ACE) program. The award will be given to current 8th, 9th, or 10th graders that show potential for science inquiry. It has an approximate value of \$350 which includes the cost of the course as well as the required textbook. This unique summer program allows high school students to enroll in courses with the potential to earn college credit. The ACE program offers a cross-section of intensive courses and includes a full semester of college-level course material taught by college faculty over five weeks in July and August. Students that earn a "C" or better will receive college credit from the Community College of Philadelphia. The scholarship must be used for either ACE 2026 or ACE 2027, and will be null and void once the student graduates from high school.

*Vishahan Sethu, Louis Sincavage, Vinh Tien Nguyen Thien and Yuhan Wang*

### **Delaware Valley University**

This award is offered to select high school seniors and juniors competing in the Delaware Valley Science Fairs. The \$2000 DelVal Mission Scholarship will be awarded to juniors and seniors placing first in their categories at the Delaware Valley Science Fairs. A \$1000 DelVal Mission Scholarship will be awarded to juniors and seniors that earn second place, third place or honorable mention in the category. These scholarships are renewable for four years as long as the student remains in good academic standing, and are in addition to any academic scholarship for which a student may qualify upon admission. In order to be eligible to claim the DelVal Mission Scholarship described above, the high school student must enroll at the Delaware Valley University as a full-time undergraduate student in the fall semester immediately following the winner's high school graduation.

*In 2026, this award was offered to 126 students from the Delaware Valley Science Fairs.*

### **Harrisburg University of Science and Technology**

The Science and Technology Scholar Award is given to all high school seniors and juniors participating in the Delaware Valley Science Fairs. It will cover up to \$1500 for four (4) academic years at Harrisburg University of Science and Technology and is renewable each year. This will be in addition to any Merit Scholarship Award the student receives upon application and admission to the university. To redeem this award, the

students must be granted a regular, full-time admission to HU for the Fall semester immediately following graduation from high school. Please be sure to read the award letter carefully for more details about eligibility.

*In 2026, this award was offered to 274 students from the Delaware Valley Science Fairs.*

## **\* Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovators Challenge \***

Thermo Fisher Scientific continues to sponsor this national middle school competition. The Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovators Challenge invites selected sixth through eighth grade students to compete in the TFJIC. Tonight, students receive a certificate with a QR code on the back of it so they can access the TFJIC website. **STUDENTS MUST REGISTER THEMSELVES IF THEY CHOOSE TO COMPETE.** Delaware Valley Science Fair will not “promote” students or send any paperwork to the TFJIC for you. These are the eligible students from this year’s fair.

*Zoe Alexander  
Katarina Aplenc  
Krish Bansal  
Rajika Basu  
Kashvi Bhatia  
Krishiv Bhavsar  
Raj Bishwal  
Saharsh Boddu  
Amaaya Chaudhry  
Anisha Cheruvu  
Penelope Cote*

*Kylee Gonzalez  
Aiza Hassan  
Fionn Isaacson  
Everett Kohn  
Shreyaan Kovur  
Noah Lessig  
Sophia Ma  
Rishi Marri  
Julianna Neas  
Prisha Parthasarathy  
Kavya Patel*

*Parinitha Sri Pati  
Helen Si  
Dia Srivastava  
Violet Stone  
Tharun Sudhakar  
Shravya Suresh  
Scarlett Tyson  
Layla Vartanian  
Jaswanth Velpula  
Ishani Yate  
Abhidev Yelampalli*

Sending a thank you note for your award is a courteous and professional thing to do.

The address for your organization should be included with your prize and certificate.

If your award/check will be mailed to you, please be patient. They will be sent by the end of May.

If you do not receive your award by early June or have any other questions,

please email our Director of Awards and Scholarships,

Ms. Mary-Rita Bonner at [mrbonner@dvsf.org](mailto:mrbonner@dvsf.org).