

Entry Requirements

1. Teams must include at least 2 members from the original team that participated in the Virtual Academic Competition and can have a maximum of 4 members.
2. All team members (participants) must be in grades 5, 6, 7, or 8 and must not pass beyond grade 8 on or before April 1, 2021. An academic classification for the participant above grade 8 must not have been declared to any entity for any purpose by a participant, their parent/guardian, or a school official acting on a participant's behalf.
3. All team members must be no more than 14 years old as of July 1, 2021.

Team Registration

1. Registration must be completed by December 31, 2020 in order to compete
2. All teams must compete in the Virtual Academic Competition for their videos to be considered.

Final Entry Submission – Due April 1, 2021

1. All video competition entries must be [submitted](#) by **midnight (EDT) on April 1, 2021** to be considered.
 - a. The [videos submitted](#) to CEF will be posted on CEF social media channels and website. As part of the registration process, all team members and their parent/guardians will be required to sign releases granting CEF use of the videos.
2. Specific content guidelines, templates, and video requirements will be available on CEF's website on November 9, 2020. Team submissions will only be considered for teams that have also competed in the Virtual Academic Competition.
3. All elements of the final entry will be uploaded via CEF-provided online form.
4. Final entry submission must include:
 - a. Storyboard document that includes visual and text explanations for each scene (template provided)
 - i. These visuals and explanations will be used during presentations made by the top teams competing at the National *You Be The Chemist* Challenge®.
 - b. 3-5-minute video in .mp4 format
 - c. Media releases for any additional people pictured in video. (Any video where a person is pictured, and no corresponding media release is submitted, will be disqualified.)
 - d. A bibliography listing all sources used in researching and creating the video in APA or MLA format
 - i. Source list must include title, author, publisher, and copyright date
 - ii. Bibliography must include internet sources, interviews, images, and videos

Evaluation Process

1. All videos will be submitted to CEF via the provided online form. The videos will be reviewed and distributed to a panel of judges. Each video will be evaluated anonymously by 3 judges using the provided rubric (the same rubric provided to students with the Video Guidelines and Requirements).
2. Judges will focus on the **content** of the video and NOT on the participants' technical abilities, the value of materials or equipment used, or the image quality or sophistication of recording/editing equipment. The judges' rubric containing detailed scoring criteria is provided to students via the CEF website. Based on average rubric scores from judges, a video from each participating state will be determined to be the *state winner*. The state winner's videos will be featured on the CEF website and on social media.
3. The top teams, selected from the state/territory winners across North America, will then participate in the National *You Be The Chemist* Challenge®.

Recognition and Prizes

1. One team from each state will be selected as the state winner. The state winner videos will be posted on CEF's website, featured on CEF's social media, and their school will receive a plaque.
2. The top 3 teams, selected at the national event, will receive the following scholarships:
 - a. First Place: up to \$4,000 (up to \$1,000 per team member)
 - b. Second Place: up to \$2,000 (up to \$500 per team member)
 - c. Third Place: up to \$1,000 (up to \$250 per team member)