

# Eagle Works

TENNESSEE TECH

### Competition Overview

- Saturday, April 6
  - 12-1:30 Tradeshow
  - 2-4ish Final pitches
- Shark Tank style event
  - Compete alone or on a team
  - 7 minute pitch, 5 minute Q&A
  - Innovative idea does not need to be created but must be plausible and feasible
    - Don't worry about starting a business (unless you want to!)
  - Thousands in scholarships to be awarded
- Sign up for newsletter on website (tntech.edu/eagleworks)

### How to Compete

- Have an innovative idea
  - Can be anything business, service, app, invention
  - Actual business not required
- Form or join a team
  - Team not required but highly recommended
  - No idea but want to compete? Find a team
  - Having trouble finding a team or teammates? Contact Andrea akruszka@tntech.edu we will help as much as possible!
- Be sure to review the How to Compete/FAQs pages/Info Powerpoint https://www.tntech.edu/eagleworks

#### Awards

- Over \$10,000 in awards
  - First, Second, Third place
  - Smaller awards can go to any team, not just finalists!
    - Rural Reimagined
    - Others
- Awarded as a SCHOLARSHIP
  - Excess aid
  - If at federal maximum, let us know, we will do our best to work something out

## Competition Day Overview

- 12-1:30 Tradeshow Bell 260
- 1:30 Finalists announced
- 2:00 Finalist pitches Bell Hall Auditorium

Public event- INVITE FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

Times and locations may change slightly!

#### More to Come

- Join mailing list, watch Tech Times, watch websites for all the updates
- Several workshop dates include time for working on your project, asking questions, and getting feedback. Take advantage of that!
- Remember we are here to help!
  - We are happy to meet with you anytime before business plans are due
  - We can review your business model, pitch, and give feedback.
  - Reach out through the Contact Us page!

## Important Spring Dates (subject to change)

\*all workshops in Makerspace in library unless otherwise stated\*

•	Jan-23	Spring Kickoff/Info Session (Tech Pride Ro	oom)
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- Jan-31 Business Model Canvas
- Feb-07 Elevator Pitches (info & workshop)
- Feb-12 Pitch Practice
- Feb-15 IDEA CHALLENGE (Bell Hall)
- Feb-21 Business Model Canvas (2<sup>nd</sup> chance!)
- Feb-28 Effective Presentations
- Mar-06 Help Session/Feedback
- Mar-29 Business Model Due
- Apr-03 Pitch Practice
- Apr-05 Final Pitch Practice/Run-through (Bell Hall)
- Apr-06 Eagle Works Finals/Tradeshow (Bell Hall)

#### 1&E Certificate

- Open to all majors
- Hours split between classes and experience
- Information on webpage!
- https://www.tntech.edu/innovation/ → Academic Programs → I&E
  Certificate
- Talk to your advisor then contact us through webpage if interested
- Don't wait until right before you graduate! Start early for the most help!
- If you are graduating this semester, start this process now!!!

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