



# Judges Wanted

**T**his fall, middle school students began work on the Future City Competition; a project-based learning program where students imagine, research, design, and build cities of the future. The students spend approximately four months creating cities that could exist at least 100 years in the future. Each city must incorporate a solution to a design challenge that changes each year. This year, teams will design a 100% electrically powered city with energy generated from sources that keep their communities and the environment healthy and safe. The Engineering Society of Detroit (ESD) coordinates the Michigan Regional Competition and is looking for engineers and technical professionals to act as judges. The role of the judge is to draw on their expertise and resources to fairly evaluate the team's efforts.



## **Judges are needed for each of the four stages of the competition.**

The essay will be judged remotely and the model, presentation & question and answer session will be judged live and in person during the competition on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

- **City Essay** — By December 15, students write a 1,500-word essay that describes the unique attributes of their city and provides a solution to this year's challenge: Electrify Your Future.
- **City Presentation** — Three student team members give a 7-minute presentation about their future city and their solutions to the challenge.
- **City Model** — Students build a scale model of their city using recycled materials. The model showcases the team's city of the future, their solution to this year's challenge, and has at least one moving part.
- **City Q&A** — Teams have a live 8-minute question and answer session, conducted with a panel of judges from the engineering, city, and technical communities.

**To volunteer as a judge, please enroll no later than Friday, December 15, 2023** at the following website (please be sure to select the Regional judging category and choose Michigan as your region in order to be a part of our competition): <https://dashboard.futurecity.org/register>

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