

## THE PASTA TOWER CHALLENGE RULES

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### The Challenge:

Using 50 pieces of Spaghetti and 30 mini marshmallows, build the tallest free-standing tower you can. Submit photos of your tower (6 max), include one photo showing its height. Also include a text description of your design. Be sure to review the CONTEST RULES and DESIGN GUIDELINES for all challenge details, including the privacy requirements: NO FACES OR NAMES in your submission. Take your awesomeness to new heights... and good luck!

### Who Can Enter

Students in Grades Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade attending a public, private, or home school in the United States, including schools in the 50 US States and DC, US territories and US soil abroad.

### Privacy Rules

Submissions will be reviewed for online privacy and student safety prior to being displayed in the gallery. Entries that moderators find to have personal information will be flagged for resubmission (or rejected if after the deadline).

- NO NAMES OF PEOPLE! Don't write or show your first/last name, username, or anyone else's first/last name in your text, title, or images. Referencing historical figures is OK in your description to explain your design.
- NO FACES! Do not include your face or anyone else's face in your photos.

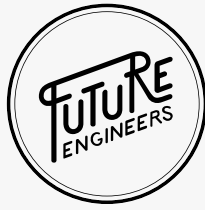
### Challenge Rules Summary

Submissions that violate the rules will be ineligible to win and may be flagged for removal or resubmission.

- ONE eligible entry - either as an INDIVIDUAL or as part of a TEAM with up to 4 team members. You may edit your entry, but your last submitted entry before the deadline will be judged.
- Your Submission Must Include:
  - IMAGES of your PASTA TOWER
    - Up to 6 images and/or photos (Refer to the Design Guidelines for more detail.)
    - GIF, PNG, JPG/JPEG, BMP, or SVG
    - Max 3 MB each
  - TITLE of your PASTA TOWER
    - Max 30 Characters
  - WRITTEN TEXT DESCRIPTION of your design
    - Max 1500 Characters
- No corporate names, brand names, logos, or otherwise trademarked items in your title, video, or thumbnail photo. Referencing common trade names factually in your description is OK if needed to explain your design. (Like velcro, for example.)
- Keep it G-rated! No inappropriate content.
- All submissions must be 100% made by YOU and/or the students on your team.



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### Judging Criteria

The Judging Panel will score all eligible entries based on the following Judging Criteria (max score of 100 points):



**40 POINTS**

Height of your Pasta Tower (On a scale of 0 = Floor to 40 = Ceiling)

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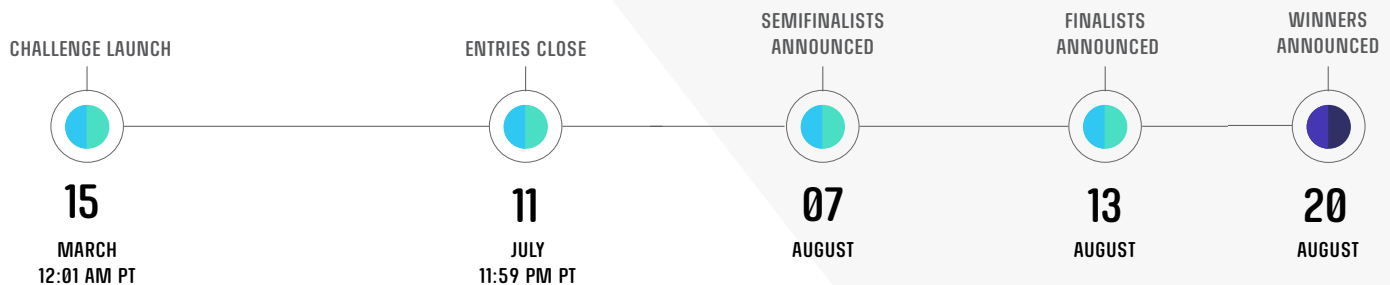
Creativity of Your Pasta Tower Design

**20 POINTS**

Communication of your Design

### Program Dates

All entries must be received by: JULY 11, 2019, 11:59 PM Pacific time. For class challenge participants: Parent consent must be received by the time requested, otherwise it will be ineligible to win.



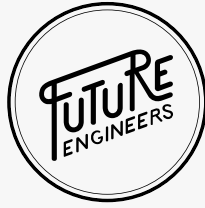
### Winners and Honorees

- TEN SEMIFINALISTS**  
Judged on the uploaded entry, the 10 entries with the highest score based on the Judging Criteria described below will be selected as prospective semifinalists and vetted for eligibility, then announced.
- FOUR FINALISTS**  
Of the 10 semifinalists, the Judging panel will again apply the Judging Criteria described below and the 4 entries with the highest score will be selected as finalists, then announced.
- ONE WINNER**  
Of the 4 finalists, the Judging panel will again apply the Judging Criteria described below, and one winner will be selected and announced.

Future Engineers reserves the right to (i) select fewer semifinalists, finalists and/or winners (if there is not enough eligible entries received) or (ii) to select more semifinalists, finalists, and/or winners or (iii) to award additional prizes. If a semifinalist, finalist and/or winner is disqualified for any reason, Future Engineers may award the prize to an alternate even if the disqualified person has already been announced.



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### Semifinalist, Finalist, and Grand Prizes



#### HUGE TOWER GAME

One winning student or team will receive a huge, lifesize stacking tower game per teammate.



#### SILLY PASTA SPOON

Super fun pasta serving spoon that looks like a dinosaur or a monster.



#### FUTURE ENGINEERS TEE

Ten finalists will win a Future Engineers T-Shirt per team member.

### Design Ownership and Public Licensing

In addition to the terms of the Official Rules, all entries will be displayed in a public gallery and will be licensed publicly as:

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4.0 International (CC BY-NC-SA 4.0)

### Potential Semifinalist Notification

The potential semifinalists' parents or legal guardians will be notified via email and they will be required to sign and return the following documents by a specified time:

Information and Publicity Release and Affidavit of Eligibility and Media Release

If any email is returned as undeliverable, or if a potential semifinalist cannot be reached after a maximum of two (2) attempts by email or phone or fails to properly sign and return all releases within the time period requested, or if a potential semifinalist is found to be ineligible, the potential semifinalist will be disqualified. The next highest scoring entry will be notified, time permitting.

### Tie Break

In the event of a tie at any stage of judging, 'Height of Your Tower' will be used as the tie-breaker. If a further tie-break is needed, 'Creativity of Your Tower' will be used as a tie-breaker.

**GOOD LUCK!**



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