

## THE START A SMILE CHALLENGE RULES

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### Open-Ended Skills Challenge

The "Start a Smile" challenge is an open-ended skills challenge which does not offer a prize, however entries in this challenge will be displayed in the gallery. Your participation in this Challenge is governed not only by these Challenge Rules BUT ALSO by the [GENERAL RULES](#), which are incorporated herein.

### The Challenge

If you are a K-12 student in the United States, your challenge is to invent a way to help someone smile or feel appreciated. The person must be separated from you by a window, wall, computer screen, or at a distance of 20 feet or more. Your solution CANNOT involve the passing of physical items, since surfaces can carry the COVID-19 virus for up to 72 hours. For example, passing a football or notes back and forth is not allowed. Submit a photo and short essay (150 words or less) of your solution and be sure to follow the privacy rules of NO FACES or NAMES in your photo or essay. Your invention could be physical, digital, visual, audible, low tech, or high tech, but it should only use items found around your home. Shopping is not allowed. Visit the Brainstorming section for inspiration. Get Creative and BE SAFE!

### Who Can Enter

Legal residents of the United States who are registered students in grades kindergarten through twelfth grade attending a public, private, or home school in the United States (including U.S. Territories or Possessions) are eligible to enter (eligible "Participants").

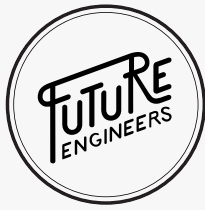
### Privacy Rules

Submissions will be reviewed for online privacy and student safety prior to being displayed in the gallery. Entries that moderators find not to be compliant, for example that contain personal information, may be flagged for resubmission or rejected. For example:

- NO NAMES OF PEOPLE! Don't write your full name, or anyone else's full name in your entry. Referencing historical figures (eg. a present-day scientist or engineer) is OK in your essay if needed to factually explain your entry.
- NO SCHOOL NAMES! Don't include your school name or class name in your submission.
- NO ADDRESSES! Don't tell us where you live or upload a photo with your address shown.
- NO PHOTOS WITH FACES! Don't include the face of yourself or others in your photo.



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### Submission Criteria

Submissions that violate the rules may be flagged for resubmission or rejected.

- Your Submission Must Include:
  - PHOTO of your INVENTION
    - Up to 6 images/photos
    - GIF, PNG, JPG/JPEG, BMP, or SVG
    - Max 3 MB each
  - TITLE/NAME of your invention
    - Maximum 30 characters
  - ESSAY explaining your invention
    - Maximum 150 words
- Do not upload content that infringes on the rights of others.
- All "Start a Smile" Inventions must be made by YOU.
- Keep it G-rated! No inappropriate content.
- LIMIT ONE eligible entry per student.

### Program Dates

The open submission period closes on May 1st, 2020, 6:00 PM Pacific time.

### Judging Criteria

There are no judging criteria for this challenge. The "Start a Smile" challenge is offered as an open-ended skills challenge that does not offer a prize and does not determine winners.

### Winners and Honorees

This challenge does not acknowledge winners or honorees.

### Prizes / Approximate Retail Value ("ARV")

This challenge does not offer prizes.

### Ownership and Public Licensing

Entries will be displayed in a moderated public gallery. Please refer to the GENERAL RULES and TERMS OF SERVICE for licensing details.

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