The University of Evansville's High School Changemaker Challenge is designed to motivate young people to take a leading role in identifying and solving challenges in the world around them through innovation and creativity. High School students are invited to pitch their ideas to a panel of community leaders and compete for four-year, full-tuition scholarships to UE where they can come to get the support needed to make their ideas become a reality.

### Important Dates

- **Tuesday, May 1** – Guidelines available at www.evansville.edu/cc-hs.
- **Wednesday, August 15** – Online registration opens – 9:00 a.m. (CST)
- **Monday, October 1** – Registration closed – 5:00 p.m. (CST)
- **Monday, October 22** – Deadline for submission of electronic materials (PowerPoint, Prezi, etc.)* – 5:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday, October 23** – Optional rehearsal in room – 5:00 p.m. (CST)
- **Wednesday, October 24** – Final Competition at UE – open to the public* – 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (approximately), Eykamp Hall, Room 251, Ridgway University Center

*Instructions available on UE’s High School Changemaker Challenge website: www.evansville.edu/cc-hs. Registrations will not be accepted after the deadline. Schools are encouraged to register as soon as it opens.

### Eligibility

- The competition is open to any high school that can send a team in person.
- While most schools send one team, we have limited room for schools to send more than one.
- Each school must designate a coach for the competition.
- Teams must consist of two or three members. No individual entries.
- All grade levels (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior) are eligible to participate, but some schools may opt to limit the competition to particular grades.
- If a school has a lot of interest, it can host an internal competition to determine which teams will go.

### Support

All teams will receive access to FREE training on the optional theme (Make Evansville More Fun and Exciting), how to identify the cost of their idea, and how to deliver an effective pitch. Training dates will be released by August 15.

### Competition

- Each team will make a pitch of 5-7 minutes to a panel of judges followed by three minutes of questions and answers on November 8 at UE.
- AV equipment will be available for teams that elect to use PowerPoint, Prezi, video, etc.
- Teams will be judged by a panel of community leaders from Vanderburgh and Warrick Counties.

### Judging Criteria

**Identification of Issue:** How well is the problem, challenge, opportunity, or need explained?

**Innovation:** How innovative is the idea to solve the issue?

**Feasibility:** How actionable is the idea proposed?

**Impact:** How effective will the proposed solution be in addressing the issue?

**Self-sustainability:** To what degree can the proposed solution support itself and last into the future?

**Effectiveness of Presentation:** How persuasive is the presentation?

### Prizes

**Four-year full-tuition scholarship to UE:** The winning team members (up to three students) that choose UE as their college choice destination will receive a full-tuition scholarship annually for four years. The student must remain consecutively enrolled each semester as a full-time student, maintain satisfactory academic progress toward their degree, and fulfill the two-year residency requirement in campus housing (note: students electing to move off campus in the third year will be subject to a scholarship reduction). UE admission requirements apply.

Scholarships available for second, third, and fourth places as well. Make your ideas a reality when you choose the University of Evansville for your undergraduate program!