



# HIGH SCHOOL CHANGEMAKER CHALLENGE

## Pitch Your Ideas for Improving Our World

At the University of Evansville, we believe everyone is a changemaker. As a high school student, you too can make a difference – big or small. UE's 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. At UE, we help students understand complex problems and provide them with the knowledge and tools to address those problems with innovative solutions.

**GUIDELINES AND REGISTRATION:** [www.evansville.edu/cc-hs](http://www.evansville.edu/cc-hs)

### Important Dates

**Tuesday, April 23** – Online registration opens at [www.evansville.edu/cc-hs](http://www.evansville.edu/cc-hs)

**Monday, September 9** – Online registration closes and video submissions are due by 5:00 p.m. (CST)

**Friday, September 13** – Top 20 teams are notified of advancement to the final on-campus pitch

**Wednesday, October 23** – Final competition at UE

### Eligibility

- **NEW THIS YEAR: No team restrictions!** Teams can be made up of any combination of high school-aged students from any school! (public, private, homeschooled, etc.) The competition is open to any high school-aged student with an idea to improve our world, whether locally or globally.
- **COACHES DO NOT HAVE TO BE A FACULTY MEMBER.** They could be a parent, a community member, a business owner, a scoutmaster, etc. Teams will be identified based on their project, not their high school.
- Teams must consist of two to three members. No individual entries.
- Teams can come from anywhere in the country or the world as long as they can be physically present for the October 23 on-campus competition.

### Support

All teams will receive access to FREE training on identifying project feasibility and how to deliver an effective pitch. Training dates will be release online.

### Competition

- Each team will make a 5-minute pitch to a panel of judges followed by a question and answer session on October 23 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.

### Prizes

**New this year:** As a commitment to our changemaking culture, we've increased scholarship opportunities. Members (up to three students) from the top six winning teams who choose UE as their college destination will receive 4-year scholarships\* as listed below:

**1st place**  
**FULL TUITION<sup>†</sup>**

**2nd place**  
**\$26,000**

**3rd place**  
**\$22,000**

**Three runner-up teams**  
**\$18,000**

\*Students eligible for more than one UE scholarship will receive the one of highest value.

†Members of the first place team will receive a full-tuition scholarship annually for four years. The student must remain consistently enrolled full time each semester, maintain satisfactory academic progress toward their degree, display progress toward fulfilling their Changemaker Challenge project goals, and fulfill the two-year residency requirement in on-campus housing. (note: students electing to move off-campus in the third year will be subject to a scholarship reduction). UE admission requirements apply.