



## PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN CONSENT

In consideration of the opportunity for my child to participate in the Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum (“Smithsonian”) National High School Design Competition (“Design Competition”), I agree that:

- My child’s participation is subject to the [2025 Design Competition Rules and Conditions](#), which I have reviewed with them.
- My child will retain their rights to their entry (or in the case of team entries, their contribution to the team entry) and, if selected as a finalist, their (or their contribution to a team’s) design and presentation materials as further developed during the Design Competition (collectively, the “Designs”), but that the Smithsonian, and those authorized by the Smithsonian, may copy, publish, distribute, publicly display, and otherwise use the Designs in whole or in part for any educational, promotional, or other standard museum purpose, in any media now known or later developed, without compensation to me or my child. This includes, but is not limited to, archives, educational programs, exhibitions, fundraising, promotions (including on social media), research, and publications. This permission is irrevocable and perpetual. Any commercial use requires additional permissions.
- Should my child be selected as an honorable mention or finalist:
  - Their first name and last name, age, grade, school, and city and state in which they reside may be publicly announced on the Design Competition website and promotional materials, alongside their team members, if entering as a team.
  - The Smithsonian may photograph, video and otherwise document my and my child’s participation in any of the Design Competition-related programs and activities, and to use any such documentation (which may include my and/or my child’s likeness, statements, name, or actions) for any educational, promotional, or standard museum purpose, in any media now known or later developed, without compensation to me or my child.
  - I will encourage my child to cooperate with the Smithsonian’s reasonable requests in connection with the Design Competition.
  - My child and I shall refrain from publicly discussing their selection as an honorable mention or finalist until after Cooper Hewitt has made the official public announcement on its website (anticipated to be on or around April 7, 2025).
- Should my child be selected as a finalist, they will participate in the following activities:
  - A one-hour-long virtual meeting or phone call with an assigned mentor during April 2025; if proceeding as a virtual meeting, it would be hosted on Zoom (Zoom’s privacy policy is available at <https://zoom.us/educationalprivacy>.)
  - The in-person Mentor Weekend, to be held on May 3–4, 2025, in New York, NY. Parents and/or legal guardians must provide one chaperone for the Mentor Weekend trip (one chaperone per entry, whether the entry is individual or team) and I will share in that responsibility, as needed. I understand that domestic travel and lodging will be provided for my child (and their team in the case of team entries) and one chaperone, in order to make this trip. All other expenses incurred by my child or me in connection with this trip will be my sole responsibility.
  - The virtual Judging Weekend, to be held on June 7–8, 2025, on Zoom.
- Should my child be selected as the winner, my child will
  - receive a custom design gift package valued at approximately \$500.00 from SHOP Cooper Hewitt; and
  - receive a complimentary Family Membership to Cooper Hewitt.
- The Smithsonian is under no obligation to use or retain my child’s Designs. Further, although the winning design may be featured at the Smithsonian, my child’s Designs will not be accessioned into the Smithsonian’s collections.
- I release and hold harmless the Smithsonian and its regents, officers, agents, employees, fellows, interns, research associates, volunteers, mentors, judges, and guest speakers and their affiliated organizations, from any and all claims, actions and demands of any kind arising out of my child or my participation in the Design Competition and my or my child’s acceptance or usage of the awards and prizes, or the Smithsonian’s use of my child’s Designs or their name and likeness as provided herein.



# NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DESIGN COMPETITION

**Child's Name:** .....

I, ....., am the parent or legal guardian of the child listed above.

My child is ..... years of age and currently enrolled in grade ..... at  
..... (name of school or indicate homeschool).

**By signing below, I represent that I have read the foregoing terms listed on page 1 of the Parent or Legal Guardian Consent, understand, and agree to it:**

**Signature of parent or legal guardian:** ..... **Date:** .....

Name (print legibly) of the parent or legal guardian who signed above:

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Postal address: .....

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Phone number: .....

E-mail: .....

**Provide the full name, phone number, e-mail, and postal address for any additional parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the child named above:**

Name: .....

Postal address: .....

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Phone number: .....

E-mail: .....