

Elementary Category Winners

For category 1, “**Bright Ideas, Big Solutions**”

- Daniel Barros Bueno, Knight Elementary
- Riaan Budharaja, Roberts Elementary
- Savannah Wilbanks & Cora Benson, Puckett's Mill Elementary

For category 2, “**Planet Protectors Unite!**”

- Aidan Morris, Fort Daniel Elementary
- Monserrat Garcia- Soriano & Mia Arroyo-Gomez, Hopkins Elementary
- Lane Haguewood, Duncan Creek Elementary

For project category 3, “**Future Builders**”

- Adonis Hernandez-Myrie, Simonton Elementary
- Khalil McLemore, Lawrenceville Elementary
- Kaiden Hamilton, Chesney Elementary

For project category 4, “**Save our Wild Friends**”

- Cadence Evans, Camp Creek Elementary
- Shubham Singh, Gwin Oaks Elementary

For project category 5, “**Weather Wonders: Brave the Storm, Beat the Heat**”

- Dresden Ross, Jackson Elementary
- Caden Chatham, Pharr Elementary
- Ellis Potlog, Fort Daniel Elementary

For project category 6, “**Storm Watchers: Protecting Our Communities**”

- Matheo Rodriguez Hellburg, Corley Elementary
- Trisha Thakkar & Kaitlynn Vo, Mason Elementary

For project category 7, “**From Stars to Sidewalks!**”

- Kumail Ali, Starling Elementary
- Leighton Ventura & Kaci Vasser, Walnut Grove Elementary

For project category 8, “**Computer Science Solutions**”

- Aalya Chokshi, Mason Elementary

For project category 9, "**Student Choice**"

- Zayd Olanrewaju & Zayn Olanrewaju, Dacula Elementary
- Hazel Wolfe, Gwin Oaks Elementary
- Aaron Liam Schrader, Mason Elementary

And our overall elementary winner for her project **The Ellis Way: Powered By The Sun Build For The Future, Ellis Potlog.**

Elementary Community Awards

Gwinnett Clean and Beautiful - Youth Citizen Science Award for an Environmentally focused project

- Santiago Grattz Lara, Suwanee Elementary

Ada Lovelace Computer Science Awards- To encourage and celebrate young girls who are exploring computing concepts and to help close gender gaps in STEM by recognizing early interest and talent

- Chelsea Roberts & Ellie Pahl, Riverside Elementary

Design Champion Award- This award recognizes excellence in collecting and using data in the design thinking process to develop a better solution.

- Eric Jansson, Chattahoochee Elementary

Engineering Innovation Award- This award recognizes excellence in using empathy to develop a more inclusive and/or accessible solution.

- Ethan Ton, Mason Elementary

STREAMWORKS Education, Professor's STEM Innovators Award- The STREAMWORKS Education Professor's STEM Innovators Award recognizes an elementary student who shows curiosity, creativity, and teamwork while exploring science, technology, engineering, and math. This student asks great questions, enjoys solving problems, and isn't afraid to try new ideas, even when things don't work the first time. Through hands-on learning, kindness toward others, and a positive attitude, this innovator shows that learning STEM is about imagination, effort, and

having fun while discovering how the world works.

- Olivia Bowman and Ruvarashe Brunson, Lovin Elementary

Logic in Motion presented by Ozobot - The Logic in Motion Award is for the student who keeps their brain moving until the puzzle is solved! This award celebrates Reasoning in Action. It's not just about getting the right answer; it's about showing how you got there using clear steps and a "never-give-up" attitude.

- Mitch Ejogo & Nathaniel Egan, Grayson Elementary

Community Hero Award- a special recognition for the student who looks beyond the classroom to solve a problem affecting their neighborhood, school, or the environment. It celebrates the Empathy and Definition stages of design thinking.

- Miranda Rodriguez, Harbins Elementary

The Seedling Scientist Award - This award honors a young scientist who acts as a catalyst—someone whose curiosity and rigorous approach to science inspires others. It is not necessarily awarded to the project with the most expensive equipment, but to the student who displays the most profound understanding of their subject and a relentless drive to ask "Why?"

- Jonathan Ton, Mason Elementary

The Math in Action Award- The Math in Action Award recognizes a STEM Fair project that demonstrates exceptional use of mathematics to understand, model, or solve a real-life problem. The award celebrates students who go beyond simple calculations and instead use mathematics as a genuine sense-making tool, showing how quantitative reasoning strengthens their investigation and leads to meaningful conclusions.

- Savannah Porter, Rockbridge Elementary