



Future City is a authentic hands-on, cross-curricular, project-based program that brings STEM to life for 6th, 7th and 8th graders.

– 7th Grade Student, New Jersey

I loved that both my artsy and nerdy side could be expressed throughout Future City.

What is Future City?

Doing things that engineers do, kids build cities of the future showcasing their solution to a citywide sustainability issue.

2026-2027 Theme: Fire Resilient Future

Benefits to Students

- Team Work
- Time Management
- Problem Solving
- Public Speaking
- Math & Science
- Leadership
- Independence
- Confidence

Resources

- Step-by-Step Guide
- Electronic Dashboard
- 30+ Activities
- STEM Mentor

Regions

Your Regional Coordinator can answer questions, help connect you with a mentor, and provide competition information!

What's Needed

Future City is student-led, but educators are an integral part of the team. You need:

- Ability to meet once a week for 2-3 hours
- Access to recycled materials
- Place to build and get messy
- \$25.00 Registration Fee
 - (per organization)
- No more than \$100 budget for model and presentation materials
 - (many teams spend \$0)
- Minimum of three middle schoolers
 - (no team size limit)



Register Now!

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COMPETITION

Anna Zola, Mentor, New Jersey Region
Future City became my passion. Now it's part of my life. Everywhere I go, I look for ideas and innovations.

Engineering Connections

- Future City is built on three pillars:
 - Engineering Design Process
 - Project Management
 - Competition Deliverables Framework
- Students do the things that engineers do: identify problems; brainstorm ideas; design solutions; test, retest, and build; and share their results.
- Students prepare to be citizens of today's complex and technical world, and become poised to become the drivers of tomorrow.



Learn More!
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Timeline & Key Dates

April 2026- Registration Opens
October 2026- Theme Webinar
October 31, 2026- Registration Closes

3 Ways to Participate

Resources Only

Free access to Future City's full suite of materials including resources, rubrics, theme information, and more!

Partial Competition*

Great for first time teams. Complete one or two deliverables. Eligible for some special awards in certain regions.

Full Competition*

Complete all deliverables and fully compete in regionals. Eligible for special awards and prizes.

Competition*

- Regional winners compete in the Finals in Washington, DC.
- Transportation, hotel and some meals are covered for five official team members.

