



### *Calling all innovators!*

The Science + Innovation Awards (SIA), a CBS network celebration, is currently accepting nominations for two awards to be presented by Manufacturing USA at the inaugural live event and broadcast this November.

One award will honor teachers or mentors that are actively securing the future of manufacturing in the U.S. The second award will honor young innovators who are making a difference through projects and designs in manufacturing.

The winners of both awards will be honored in-person and on-air during the national broadcast on CBS!

### *Applications for both of the 2018 Manufacturing Innovation Awards are NOW OPEN!*

[The Manufacturing Innovation Champion Award](#) will recognize spokespeople, trainers, mentors, or educators throughout the country who demonstrate to the next generation what it means to "make." Winners will be selected based on their leadership, collaboration, innovation, and impact in promoting manufacturing in their community, state, or across the U.S.

*All Manufacturing Innovation Champion Award nominations must demonstrate the exceptional leadership of an individual or group in encouraging young leaders to innovate. Submissions must include a description of the nominee(s)' activities that advance the future of manufacturing. Activities may range across any major technology area including those supported through Manufacturing USA.*

*Nominations are open to individuals or teams fostering manufacturing skills and innovation in their communities. There are no age or education level restrictions.*

### **The Manufacturing Innovation Champion Award will be selected on the following criteria:**

- **Leadership:** The nominee(s) are considered an authority on manufacturing technology in their community. Activities may include acting as a spokesperson, trainer, mentor, or educator.
- **Collaboration:** The nominee(s) have worked to build support and increase excitement for manufacturing innovation in their community. Activities may include establishing or strengthening educational clubs, partnerships, coalitions, committees, working groups, etc.
- **Innovation:** The nominee(s) have used innovative strategies in their community, state, or across the U.S. to challenge manufacturing industry stigmas. Activities may include either creating new strategies or adapting existing strategies to engage populations that do not regularly enter or interact with manufacturing technologies.

- **Impact:** The nominee(s)' leadership, collaboration, and innovative activities have made a measurable impact on their community, state, or across the U.S. A description of their impact may include number of students reached, signs of change within a community's culture, etc.

Scan or [click here](#) for the Manufacturing Innovation Champion Award application form.



**[The Manufacturing Innovation Student Awards](#)** will honor those rising leaders ages 13 or older who have contributed to the advanced manufacturing community through inventing new products, processes, or techniques. Applications must provide details on a single project that the nominee(s) have completed. Winners will be selected based on their leadership and innovative ability to solve problems rather than the complexity of their projects or solution.

*All Manufacturing Innovation Student Awards nominations must demonstrate the exceptional leadership of an individual or group in solving a problem using manufacturing innovation. Submissions must include a description of the project that the nominee(s) created to advance manufacturing technologies. These technologies may include those supported through Manufacturing USA or other manufacturing areas.*

*Nominations are open to students 13 years or older currently enrolled in grades 7-12 or at an accredited U.S. technical school, community or junior college, four-year college, or university at either the undergraduate or graduate level.*

**The Manufacturing Innovation Student Awards will be selected on the following criteria:**

- **Leadership:** The nominee(s) took initiative in their community to solve a problem using innovative manufacturing technologies or techniques. Applications must demonstrate the importance of addressing the problem and why a solution would benefit others.
- **Innovation:** The nominee(s) used unique solutions to solve a problem. Applications must demonstrate the ingenuity of nominees' solution by explaining the process used to solve the problem and how they overcame obstacles.
- **Impact:** The nominee(s)' innovation benefits the world. Applications must demonstrate the significance of nominees' innovative solution on the nominees' community, state, or the U.S.

**\*All nominees and nominators must be 13 years or older to enter. \***

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***Applications close on Sunday, September 23, 2018 at 11:59PM (ET).***

***Submit your applications NOW for a chance to be honored on national television!***

**Keep an eye out for more announcements about the Science + Innovation Awards Inspired by Manufacturing USA coming soon!**

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