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STUDENTS TODAY
INNOVATORS TOMORROW

Oregon's only statewide invention competition

2019 - 2020

#RoadtoInventOR #InventOregon



From idea to prototype in 90 days

Invent Oregon is the state's largest prototyping competition for college and university students.

Students from all disciplines take their invention from idea to prototype in less than 90 days with help from mentors, business development and product design resources, and up to \$2,500 prototyping grant.

Invent Oregon student impact

76%

of students say
Invent Oregon helped
them see themselves
as inventors

75%

of students will likely
or definitely pursue
commercializing
their invention after
participating
in Invent Oregon

74%

of students say Invent
Oregon helped them
gain access to resources
and make valuable
connections to help
further their prototype

73%

of students say Invent
Oregon helped them refine
their business model

PARTNER SCHOOLS

To be eligible, students must be enrolled in a participating partner school. See www.inventoregon.org for more information on eligibility and how to participate. Our partner schools for the 2019-2020 school year are:

- Clackamas Community College
- Eastern Oregon University
- George Fox University
- Lewis and Clark College
- Linfield College
- Klamath Community College
- Oregon Health and Science University
- Oregon Institute of Technology
- Oregon State University
- Portland Community College
- Portland State University
- Rogue Community College
- Southern Oregon University
- Southwestern Oregon Community College
- University of Oregon
- University of Portland
- Warner Pacific University
- Western Oregon University
- Willamette University





What students are saying about Invent Oregon

“You have this idea and passion and you are ready to go out and work on it and sometimes you don’t get the support that you need to make it happen. Getting Invent Oregon’s support said to me that they believe in me, my idea and that I was capable to build it. I’m grateful to be part of Invent Oregon and now I believe that I have the power to change the world.”

Moriah Shay, Ideation Station - Oregon State University

Moriah Shay participated in Invent Oregon in 2017 with her prototype for **Ideation Station**: A mobile maker space equipped with tools and machinery to reach underrepresented makers in Corvallis, Oregon.



What students are saying about Invent Oregon

“InventOR taught me much about the value of a well organized team where all members have unique skills that individually contribute toward the end goal...Networking with other students, schools, and industry professionals was probably the biggest highlight for me personally.”

Loren Langdon, Printed Pet Prosthetics - Rogue Community College

“Participating in InventOR showed me that I CAN be an inventor, I CAN be an entrepreneur, and gave me the confidence to do so moving forward. You don’t have to have inventing experience to be involved in InventOR, use it as an opportunity to grow and learn with your team. Teamwork really does make the dream work!”

Sormi Backus, Printed Pet Prosthetics - Rogue Community College

A background image showing a group of people at what appears to be a science fair or museum exhibit. In the foreground, a man with a beard and a woman wearing a hat and glasses are looking at their smartphones. To the right, a woman with long blonde hair is looking at a complex scientific apparatus that includes a coiled metal tube and various glass components. The entire image has a purple color overlay.

WHY PARTNER WITH US?

Connections

Visibility

**Student
Engagement**



Connections

Your school will build strong **relationships** with industry leaders, and connect with Oregon's entrepreneurial and innovation ecosystem.

- **Your faculty** will collaborate with the state's leading educators and institutions interested in fostering a culture of Innovation and entrepreneurship.
- **Your students** will work hands-on with industry leaders and receive mentorship from experienced innovators and founders.

Visibility

Your school will be recognized as one of Oregon's leading institutions nurturing the next generation of Oregon inventors and entrepreneurs

- **Your school** can showcase your unique programs and offerings to a statewide audience that includes elected officials, and business leaders.

- **Your students** will receive local and national coverage.



A man and a woman are celebrating on a stage. The man, on the left, is wearing a green button-down shirt, glasses, and a white lanyard with a blank ID tag. He has his right arm raised in a fist pump and is smiling broadly. The woman, on the right, is wearing a white patterned button-down shirt and glasses. She is also smiling and has her right arm raised in a fist pump. The background is dark with some yellow light streaks. The overall image has a purple gradient overlay on the right side.

Student Engagement

Your school will provide an unique opportunity to offer your students with experiential learning opportunities, including:

- **Mentors:** Access to mentors with industry experience and guidance throughout the competition
- **Coaching:** Coaching sessions to support prototype design and business development
- **Workshops:** Teams participate in two-full day workshops on design thinking, business plan development, pitch coaching and funding options post competition



FACULTY SUPPORT

Faculty from partner schools participate in a **two-day workshop during the summer** where they explore how to prepare their teams for the Invent Oregon Collegiate Challenge while sharing best practices.



WHO is eligible?

- 1 Student teams from any discipline with a concept based on a new invention or innovation based on existing technology.
- 2 Inventions must address solutions that will impact communities or people's lives or have an impact at scale in markets.



WHEN?

Invent Oregon Timeline

September 3rd

2019

Applications open

Schools open applications and select participating teams to compete in preliminaries (~5-10 teams).

November
to April

2020

Local competition

Partner schools host their local competition and select two teams to advance to semifinals

April 24th - 26th

Invent Oregon Bootcamp

April 26th

Semifinals

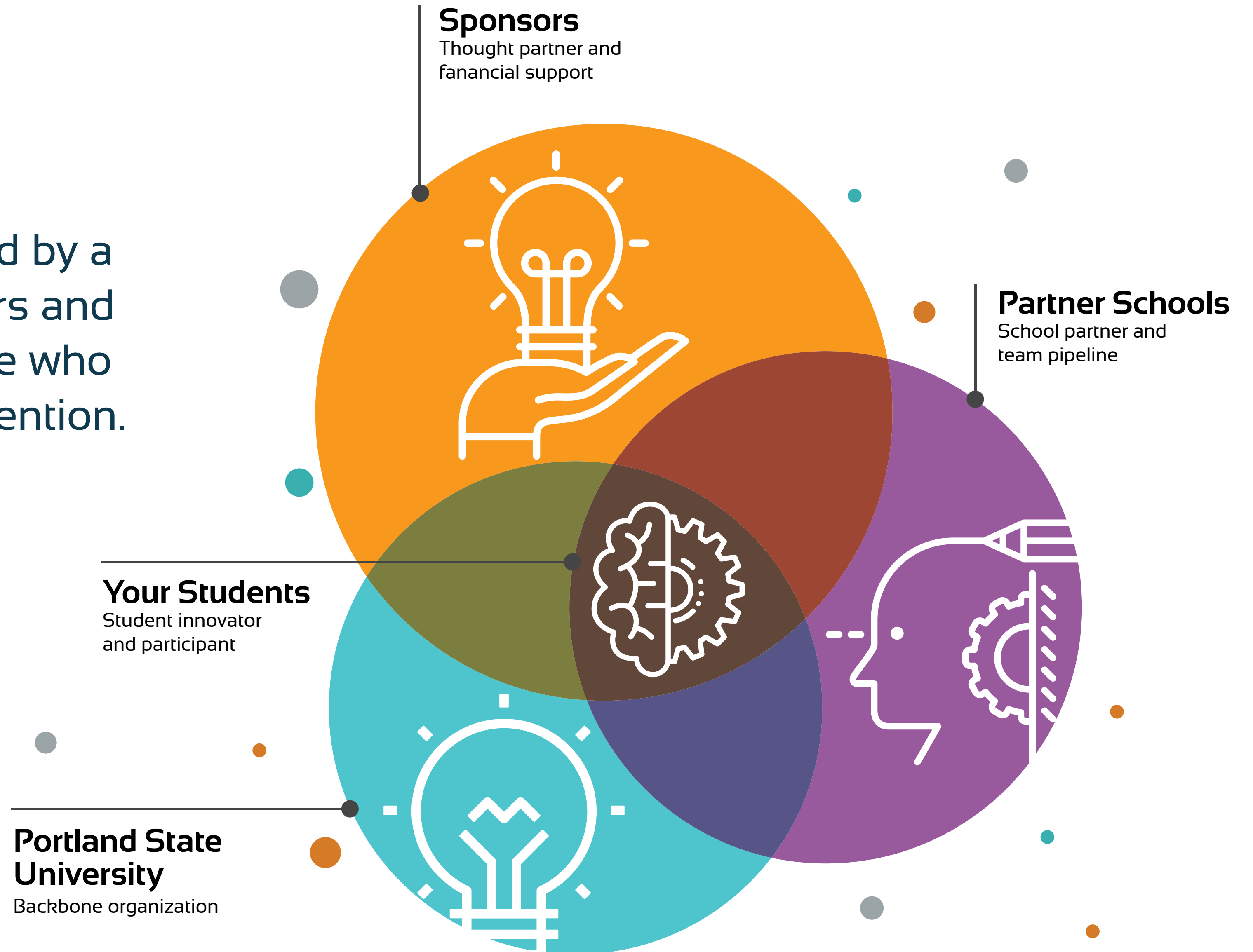
June 25th - 26th

Invent Oregon Collegiate Challenge Finals

HOW?

Invent Oregon is supported by a large ecosystem of partners and supporters across the state who believe in the power of invention. We invite you to join us.

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