

# UGI Energy Innovation Challenge

## Contest Instructions for Teachers

Dear Educator:

Now that your students have completed the UGI Energy Innovation presentation, they have new energy and water efficiency knowledge that can make a difference! Put this knowledge to use in the *Innovation Challenge*.

This contest challenges your students to communicate innovative ideas about increasing energy and/or water efficiency. The challenge is simple:

1. Discuss the home energy audit process in class. Determine areas where energy and/or water efficiency could be improved.
2. Teams, of up to four students, can use their creative energy to explore new and innovative ways to make a difference in energy and/or water efficiency.
3. Your students will apply their creative talents to communicate an idea to others through:
  - artwork
  - a science project
  - an essay
  - literature
  - photography
  - music
  - video
  - a service project
  - website project
  - any other work of innovation
4. Have your students submit their projects and entry form electronically at [thinkenergy.org/ugi-innovation](http://thinkenergy.org/ugi-innovation) on or before **November 20, 2023**. Please email the signed permission forms to [ugieneryinnovation@nef1.org](mailto:ugieneryinnovation@nef1.org).

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Entries will be judged equally in the following categories:

- **Theme:** Does the entry communicate a way to be more energy and/or water efficient?
- **Originality and Creativity:** Does the entry represent original and creative work?
- **Impact:** Will the entry motivate others to be more energy and/or water efficient?

### Students

Members of the grand prize winning team will receive Beats wireless headphones. Two honorable mention teams will receive Beats wireless earbuds.

Teams must consist of four or fewer students.

### Teachers

Grand prize winning team teacher will receive a **\$500 mini-grant**.

Honorable mention team teacher(s) will receive a **\$250 mini-grant**.

Please contact Tiffany Foland at [tiffany.foland@nef1.org](mailto:tiffany.foland@nef1.org) or 800-616-8326 ext. 140 for further details.



## ENTRY SUBMISSION STEPS:

1. A digital entry form must be completed online at [thinkenergy.org/ugi-innovation](http://thinkenergy.org/ugi-innovation).
  - If your entry is a video or music, upload your video to YouTube and place the link in the online entry form. Instruction on uploading your video can be found on the above website.
  - If your entry is not a video or music, please email your project or photos of your project to **ugienenergyinnovation@nef1.org**.
  - If your project was completed at school, you will need to give permission to the National Energy Foundation (NEF) to view it or send it from a personal email.
  - Be prepared to answer the following questions on the digital entry form:
    - What message do you hope to convey?
    - What is the impact of your project in your life and in the lives of others?
2. Complete this permission form with parent/guardian signature.
3. Email this completed form, with both student and parent/guardian signatures, to **ugienenergyinnovation@nef1.org** with your name and school name in the subject heading. This form will be matched to your digital entry form to verify eligibility.
4. The DEADLINE for entry submission is on or before **November 20, 2023**.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Team Members: 1    2    3    4

Team Member Names (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Submission of personal information is for use by UGI Utilities and NEF officials only and will not be made public.

Visit [thinkenergy.org/ugi-innovation](http://thinkenergy.org/ugi-innovation) for additional contest information.

I affirm that this entry is my own (or my team's) original work and grant the sponsors permission to use my/our work in ways they deem appropriate (i.e. recognition, publications, promotions and websites). I understand all entries become the property of UGI Utilities and NEF and will not be returned.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Signatures Mandatory)

