



a program of The Academy of Applied Science

This year's regional event will be held on **March 25, 2018** at **Southern New Hampshire University**. The event again runs 8 am- 2pm, though judges may depart after lunch and not stay for the awards ceremony. Of course we will provide meals and refreshments to keep you fueled for judging. The invention challenge category this year is "**INVENTION to the RESCUE!**"...we are excited to see what our young inventors ideate to come to the rescue in their everyday lives.

With your help, we look forward to encouraging more inventive solutions from local kids like Anna Blanchette from Dover, NH. She was recently featured on [The Steve Harvey Show](#) with [her award winning invention](#) that reduces ocean pollution with an alternative to plastic shopping bags. Anna exemplifies how our program inspires students to address everyday problems with creativity and applied knowledge. And what a journey she has had from winning her elementary school event to becoming a regional winner to winning a top spot at the National Invention Convention and Entrepreneurship Expo last year. We are so proud! We hope to send more talented kids from NH and MA to Nationals this year, which will be at the Henry Ford Innovation Museum in Detroit, MI.

Thank you for considering playing a role in challenging K-12 learners to be the problem-solvers of tomorrow by applying 21st Century skills. Our program provides an important STEM educational enrichment opportunities to schools, clubs, libraries, and enrichment programs at no charge.

We would love to have you involved this year and we will send more details in early March. Please RSVP to let us know if you can join us and hundreds of young inventors on March 25th!

Best wishes,

Nicole