## The Young Inventors' Program by Tina White Director, Young Inventors' Program University of New Hampshire

The Young Inventors' Program, an affiliate program of Invention Convention Worldwide, held its annual Northern New England Invention Convention on March 18, 2023, at the University of New Hampshire.

Over 175 students from about 30 schools across New Hampshire, northern Massachusetts and Vermont participated in the regional competition. Students presented their original inventions to judges and showcased their ingenious ideas to the YIP community. "Northern New England is full of talented and bright young learners and this celebration of invention gives students the opportunity to share the tangible solutions they have created to face real-world problems headon," said Tina White, Director for the Young Inventors' Program. "This competition gets students involved in authentic, project-based learning while demonstrating creativity, collaboration, communication, and critical thinking — all important 21st Century Skills."

IEEE has been a long-time supporter of the Young Inventors' Program and recognizes outstanding inventions through the presentation of two sponsored awards. The IEEE Electric Award honors inventions which incorporate an electrical element.

And to better align with the organization's mission and the spirit of innovation, IEEE introduced the Technology for Humanity Award this year to recognize excellence in technology that benefits humanity.