



Avnet Announces Winners of 10th Annual Avnet Tech Games

STEM-based competition awards \$31,000 in scholarships to college students

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PHOENIX--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Avnet, Inc. (NYSE: AVT), a leading global technology distributor, announced today the 2015 winners of the Avnet Tech Games. Of the more than 200 students from universities and community colleges who competed in the games on Saturday, April 11 and in the virtual competitions, 31 students collected \$1,000 scholarships. Additionally, nine faculty advisors received \$2,700 in honorariums for leading the winning teams to victory.

“The 10th year of the Avnet Tech Games has most certainly been our best,” said MaryAnn Miller, senior vice president, Chief Human Resources Officer and Corporate Communications, Avnet, Inc. “It’s through competitions like this that a spotlight shines on the science, technology, engineering and mathematic expertise of Arizona’s students. As a long-time proponent of STEM education, Avnet believes that there is intrinsic value in helping to facilitate development and networking opportunities like this between today’s technology leaders and our future workforce to help them achieve their long-term career goals.”

A panel of judges including technology executives, engineers and other business leaders selected the winners based on the students’ ability to meet the technical requirements of a task, apply innovative approaches to the solution and demonstrate professional skills. Seventy teams of students competed in the onsite games on Saturday at The University of Advancing Technology in Tempe, Ariz. The competitors represented 14 Arizona community colleges and universities: Arizona State University, Chandler/Gilbert Community College, Estrella Community College, Glendale Community College, ITT Technical Institute, Maricopa Skill Center, Mesa Community College, Northern Arizona University, Paradise Valley Community College, Phoenix Community College, Scottsdale Community College, The University of Advancing Technology and the University of Arizona.

“Congratulations to everyone who participated in this year’s Avnet Tech Games, especially our winners,” added Miller. “On behalf of Avnet, thank you to all of our sponsors, business partners and volunteers for helping make this year’s event a success.”

The winners of the 2015 Onsite Avnet Tech Games are:

Cisco Network Expert Security Battle

Mesa Community College

Faculty Coach: Robert Samson

Student Team Members: Jason Gates, Dana Gallagher, Nathan Pan

HP Fastest Computer Build

Arizona State University

Faculty Coach: Eli Chmouni

Student Team Members: Troy Gerloff, Habib Matar, Jeremy Morgan

Desktop Domination

The University of Advancing Technology

Faculty Coach: Al Kelly

Student Team Members: Andrew Denis, Eric Evans, Jason Olivas

Digital Design Dilemma

Chandler-Gilbert Community College

Faculty Coach: Bassam Matar

Student Team Members: Chandler Redding, Sean Walker, Kevin Grout

Green Data Center Challenge

Scottsdale Community College

Faculty Coach: Ron Monroig

Student Team Members: Cristobal Romero, Alba Lopez, Matthew O'Donnell

Java Blitz

Arizona State University

Student Team Members: Morgan Nesbit, Zachary Moore

Robot Race Obstacle Course

Mesa Community College

Faculty Coach: Bruce Carlton

Student Team Members: Lloyd Allen, Matthew Otte

Solar Scrimmage

Mesa Community College

Faculty Coach: Bruce Carlton

Student Team Members: Brandon Traylor, Daniel Bailey, Nguyen Dao

Since its inception in 2006, more than \$330,000 in scholarship money and honorariums have been awarded to hundreds of the approximately 3,000 students and 250 faculty members who have participated in the competition.

2015 Virtual Avnet Tech Games

The Virtual Avnet Tech Games were introduced in 2010 to expand the breadth of the onsite event by allowing students to compete on a national level. More than 100 teams competed in the Virtual Avnet Tech Games competition. This year's winners are:

Android App™ Showdown

Arizona State University

Faculty Coach: Eli Chmouni

Student Team Members: Joslene Chmouni, Matthew Vehon

Green Video Competition

University of Advancing Technology

Faculty Coach: Justin Gagen

Student Team Members: Darien Marion, Ryan Moore, Dominique Laster

JDA Supply Chain Challenge

School Name: University of California, San Diego, Harvard and MIT

Student Team Members: Amilcare Gentili, MD, FACHE, Marco Gentili, Paolo Gentili, Ryan Scheidt

Avnet Tech Games 2015 sponsors included Cisco, DP Air, HP, JDA Software, NetApp, Freescale, CDW, TE Connectivity and World Wide Technology.

Photos from the event can be viewed [here](#).

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