



**Calling all middle school students!**  
**Share your ideas and flex your civics knowledge in the**  
**National Civics Bee®.**



## **ABOUT THE BEE**

Lamar Community College, Lamar School District, and Southeastern Colorado BOCES are partnering with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation to host a nonpartisan civics competition that encourages young Americans to engage in civics and contribute to their communities. Participating 6th, 7th and 8th graders will flex their civics knowledge for a chance to win recognition and cash prizes. Finalists will be invited to Washington, DC to compete in the National Civics Bee National Championship in Fall 2026.



Lamar Community College is participating in the National Civics Bee because we believe that informed and active citizens make for a strong country, a strong economy, and a strong workforce, and that our continued prosperity depends on the strength of all three. Through the Bee, we are promoting greater civic knowledge in Colorado and celebrating our civic pride.

## HOW TO ENTER

Any 6th, 7th, or 8th grade student residing in Colorado with an idea about using civics to improve their community may submit their application to participate in their state. All applications must be submitted by **Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. Hawaii Time**. Visit [www.nationalcivicsbee.org](http://www.nationalcivicsbee.org) for the latest news on the application portal, entry deadlines, and resources.

**Students should review the Contest Rules below and then apply using the following link: [2026 National Civics Bee Application Link](#)**

## RESOURCES/ADDITIONAL INFO:

- [Educator Toolkit](#)
- [Essay Application Guide](#)
- [National Civics Bee Highlights Video](#)
- [National Civics Bee Website](#)
- [Student Flyer](#)
- [2026 National Civics Bee Contest Rules – Phase 1](#)

## LIVE EVENT INFO – Coming Soon!

- March 29, 2026
- 2:00 pm
- Lamar High School Auditorium
- 1900 Savage Drive, Lamar, CO 81052
- 1<sup>st</sup> place: \$500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$250
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$125
- Plus lots of other cool prizes!

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in showcasing your company's commitment to developing active and engaged citizens? For information about available corporate sponsorships, please contact Gabrielle Hammer Nieschburg ([gabrielle.hammer@lamarschools.org](mailto:gabrielle.hammer@lamarschools.org))

## CONTACT US

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