

Space Camp 2013 Contest

Official Contest Rules

NO ENTRY FEE IS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE OR WIN. THE CONTEST IS VOID WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW, REGULATION, STATUTE OR OTHER APPROPRIATE LEGAL AUTHORITY.

I. Contest Sponsors:

The "Space Camp 2013" Contest is sponsored by the U.S. Embassy Dublin.

II. Contest Platforms:

Facebook and Twitter will serve as Contest platforms, but neither is a Contest sponsor, nor is either otherwise participating in any capacity.

III. How to Enter:

Contest Start Date: 10 January 2013

Contest End Date: 10 February 2013

Contestants may submit entries on the competition webpage, <http://dublin.usembassy.gov/>
Contestants will be required to submit the following information when applying:

Name

Email address

School

Month of birth

Year of birth

Response to "Why I'm a good candidate to go to Space Camp and what I would contribute"
(in 250 words or less)

Reference Name (Must be a teacher who knows your character well)

Reference Email or phone number

Contestants may submit only one entry.

Contestants must verify the following statement by ticking the box that says: "My Parents are aware and have given me permission to enter this contest. I understand that should I become a finalist, a signed parental permission form will be necessary."

IV. Content Requirements

Submissions must not contain obscenity, explicit sexual material, profanity, graphic violence, calls or incitement to violence, commercial solicitation or commercial promotion. Submissions also must not contain content that could be considered abusive, inflammatory, denigrating, or disrespectful to any of the Contest Sponsors, or to groups, individuals or institutions.

Submissions must be original entries created by the Contestant and must not contain any elements that are protected by someone else's copyright or otherwise subject to third party proprietary rights, including privacy and publicity rights (except as expressly permitted below). Submissions must adhere both in appearance and in fact to the norms of civil discourse. In other words, the content of all Submissions must be suitable for a global, public audience. The Contest Sponsors reserve the right to disqualify, at their sole and absolute discretion, any Submission that does not adhere to these criteria and to the intent and substance of these Official Contest Rules.

The Contestant further affirms that he or she has obtained the necessary rights, licenses, consents and permissions to use all material in the submission. Failure to obtain such rights, license consents, and permissions may result in the disqualification of the Submission at the Contest Sponsors' sole and absolute discretion. Contest Sponsors recognize no allowance for "fair use" of copyrighted material. In the event of any question or difference of view regarding compliance with, or interpretation or application of these Content Requirements or other provisions of these Official Contest Rules, the Contest Sponsors reserve the exclusive right to resolve such questions or differences of view in their sole discretion.

V. Eligibility

- a. Contestants must be students aged between 15 and 18 years as of August 31, 2013 and residents of the Republic of Ireland or Irish citizens as of the date of commencement of the Contest.
- b. The Contest commences at 12:01 a.m. GMT on January 20, 2013 and closes at 11:59 p.m. GMT on February 10, 2013. The person submitting the entry will be considered the Contestant and will be the only person eligible to compete for the prize. In order to be eligible to win the prize, Contestant must provide accurate and complete information including written permission to participate from a parent or legal guardian.
- c. The following individuals are not eligible to enter the Contest: Employees, directors and officers of the Contest Sponsors, or Participating Individuals and Organizations, the U.S. government, contractors of the U.S. government; or distribution agencies, web design agencies, advertising agencies, fulfillment agencies, as well as judging and Contest agencies involved in the administration, development, fulfillment and execution of this Contest and the immediate family members (spouse, recognized partner, parent, child, sibling and spouse or "step" of each) and those living in the same households of each such individual.

- d. Once a Submission has been chosen as a winner, full names of winners may be publically identified.

VI. Selection of Winners

Judging Criteria

All Submissions will be judged by officers of the U.S. Embassy, Dublin. The Contest Sponsors reserve the right in their sole and absolute discretion to verify in the final analysis whether a potential winning Submission has fully complied with these Official Contest Rules.

Winners

2 contest winners will win trips to Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama. An independent jury comprised of officers of the US Embassy, Dublin will evaluate the submissions and determine the contest winners. The two competition winners will be announced no later than March, 2013. The winners' names and schools will be distributed through Contest Sponsors' websites, social media sites and print, radio and television media.

U.S. Embassy Dublin reserves the right to require a potential winner to submit to a confidential background check, at the sole discretion of the Embassy, to ensure the use of any such person in advertising or publicity for the Contest will not bring the Embassy into public disrepute, contempt, scandal or ridicule, or reflect unfavorably on the Contest as determined by the Embassy. This is at the sole discretion of the Embassy.

Each winner will be required to sign and return to the Contest Sponsors a parental permission form, an affidavit of eligibility, and a liability/publicity release. Additionally, winners will be asked to provide a short biography. The Contest Sponsors reserve the right, in their sole and absolute discretion, to verify that a potential winner is in full compliance with these Official Contest Rules before the Contestant is recognized as a finalist, and before awarding any prize. The inability of Contest Sponsors to contact a potential winner may result in disqualification and/or selection of an alternate winner from among all remaining eligible Submissions.

VII. Prize:

Two winners will each receive a trip to Space Camp, Huntsville, Alabama, USA. Space Camp will take place during the summer of 2013 for approximately 1 week. The prizes will include international airfare, meals and lodging, travel insurance, and tuition to Space Camp. The winners' names will be displayed in various Contest Sponsors' media channels and publicized in traditional media outlets. At each public display, a short bio of each winner may be included, along with a brief statement, in each winner's own words, about the Contest, including its meaning for that winner.

The winners must provide a valid mailing address and personal details necessary to book travel to the United States and register for Space Camp. This information will be requested

upon notification of the winners. Receipt of the prizes is subject to the winners' abilities to qualify for an appropriate U.S. visa.

Any unused portion of the prize is not transferable, convertible, or exchangeable and cannot be taken as cash. All taxes on or in connection with any prize, and the reporting consequences thereof, are the sole and exclusive responsibility of the winner.

Contest Sponsors are not liable in the event that any portion of the Contest is cancelled due to weather, fire, strike, acts of war or terrorism, or any other condition beyond their control.

VIII. Liabilities and Rights:

1. The Contest Sponsors do not necessarily endorse any particular photo, messages, or advice expressed therein, and the Contest Sponsors expressly disclaim any and all liability in connection with the Submission, including disputes between collaborators related to a Submission.
2. This Contest and its sponsors do not permit copyright infringing activities or infringement of any other intellectual property rights, and Contest Sponsors reserve the right to remove and disqualify any submission they deem to be in violation of another party's copyright or other intellectual property rights.
3. The Contestant assumes sole responsibility for the submission and the material contained in it and also for the consequences of the posting on any social media websites.
4. The Contest Sponsors reserve the right, at any time, to verify the validity of entries and of Contestants and to disqualify any Contestant or entry deemed not in compliance or any entry deemed not in accordance with these Official Contest Rules. The Contest Sponsors also reserve the right to request further documentation, at their sole and absolute discretion, to verify eligibility and compliance with these Official Contest Rules. If a prize or any portion thereof, is unavailable, the Contest Sponsors, in their sole discretion, reserve the right to substitute the prize with another prize of equal or greater value and/or specification.
5. If this Contest is interfered or tampered with in any way by a Contestant, or a person acting on the Contestant's behalf, or, if, as a consequence of such interference, the Contest is not capable of being reasonably conducted in the manner anticipated by the Contest Sponsors, the Sponsors reserve the right, in their sole discretion and to the fullest extent permitted by law to disqualify any interfering Contestant and/or modify, suspend, terminate or cancel the Contest.
6. In addition, the Contest Sponsors reserve the right, at any time and in their sole discretion, to disqualify and/or deem ineligible any individual who they reasonably believe (a) has failed to agree to the Official Contest Rules or has violated the Official Contest Rules; (b) has violated Embassy Dublin's Facebook "terms of use"; (c) has failed to comply with Facebook and Twitter's Terms of Use and with Facebook's Promotional Guidelines; or (d) is acting in bad faith or in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten or harass any other person.

7. If for any reason the Contest is not capable of running as planned, including without limitation, infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Contest, the Contest Sponsors reserve the right, at their sole discretion, to cancel, modify or terminate the Contest.
8. Contest Sponsors reserve the right to modify, suspend, terminate or cancel the Contest, as appropriate, including due to any other reason beyond the control of the Contest Sponsors.
9. You agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Contest Sponsors, their parent, subsidiary and other affiliated companies, officers, directors, employees and agents, from and against any and all claims, damages, obligations, losses, liabilities, costs or debt, and expenses (including but not limited to attorney's fees) arising from: (i) your use of and access to the Contest websites and social media platforms in connection with the Contest; (ii) your violation of these Official Contest Rules or Embassy Dublin's Facebook Terms of Service; (iii) has failed to comply with Facebook and Twitter's Terms of Use and with Facebook's Promotional Guidelines (iv) your violation of any third party right, including without limitation any copyright, trademark, intellectual property, privacy, publicity or other proprietary right in connection with the Contest; or (v) any claim that your Submission caused damage to a third party. This defense and indemnification obligation will survive indefinitely beyond the conclusion of the Contest and your use of the Contest websites and social media platforms.
10. The conduct, judging and awarding of prizes for the Contest will be carried out in full compliance with applicable U.S. laws and Republic of Ireland laws.
11. The Contest Sponsors are not liable for any disputes between collaborators related to a Submission.
12. Contestants retain ownership of their Submissions. However, by submitting an entry to the Contest, Contestants grant Contest Sponsors, and participating organizations, with proper attribution through whatever means they deem appropriate, a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free, sub-licensable and transferable license to use, reproduce, distribute, prepare derivative works of, and/or display the Submission, in any media formats and through any media channels in perpetuity in connection with the activities and operations of the Contest.
13. If Contestants opt to receive future mailings on the registration form, Contest Sponsors may contact Contestants to propose collaboration on additional projects.

IX. Limitations of Liability and Release:

Contest Sponsors assume no liability or responsibility for any loss or harm resulting from any user's participation in or attempt to participate in the Contest or ability or inability to upload, download or otherwise access any information in connection with participating in the Contest. Contest Sponsors assume no responsibility or liability for technical problems or technical malfunction arising in connection with any of the following occurrences which may affect the operation of the Contest: hardware or software errors; faulty computer, telephone, cable, satellite, network, electronic, wireless or Internet connectivity or other

online communication problems; errors or limitations of any Internet service providers, servers, hosts or providers; garbled, jumbled or faulty data transmissions; failure of any email transmissions to be sent or received; lost, late, delayed or intercepted email transmissions; inaccessibility of the Contest site in whole or in part for any reason; traffic congestion on the Internet or the Contest site; unauthorized human or non-human intervention of the operation of the Contest, including without limitation, unauthorized tampering, hacking, theft, virus, bugs, worms; or destruction of any aspect of the Contest, or loss, miscount, misdirection, inaccessibility or unavailability of an email account used in connection with the Contest.

Contest Sponsors are not responsible for any typographical errors in the announcement of prizes or these Official Contest Rules, or any inaccurate or incorrect data contained on the Contest site. Use of Contest site is at user's own risk. Contest Sponsors are not responsible for any personal injury or property damage or losses of any kind which may be sustained to user's or any other person's computer equipment resulting from participation in the Contest, use of the Contest site or the downloading of any information from the Contest site. By participating in the Contest, the Contestant releases the Contest Sponsors from any and all claims, damages or liabilities arising from or relating to such Contestant's participation in the Contest.