

## EnergyWhiz

**EnergyWhiz (EW)**, created by the Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC)—an energy research center of the University of Central Florida—in 1999, is a forum for students to demonstrate their science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) capabilities through energy-focused, Project Based Learning.

**When:** May 4, 2019

**Where:** FSEC Energy Research Center/  
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[www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/energywhiz](http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/energywhiz)

## Getting Started

Teaching and learning about energy, technology and the environment through any of the **EnergyWhiz** activities is fun, effective and unforgettable. Each project-based activity builds student confidence and STEAM knowledge. EnergyWhiz and EnergyWhiz Expos are where students showcase their projects, receive feedback from energy experts and demonstrate important workforce skills.

### EnergyWhiz Expos

Expos are regional events of various size and scope held prior to the statewide EnergyWhiz held in May.

For Expo dates and locations, visit:  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/expo>

*"The future is in good hands if these kids are examples of tomorrow's scientists, teachers and citizens."*

Dr. Peter B., EnergyWhiz Judge

## Here are some ways to get involved:

- 1) Watch the EnergyWhiz video:  
<https://vimeo.com/fsec/ew>
- 2) Visit the EnergyWhiz webpage:  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/energywhiz>
- 3) Attend an EnergyWhiz event as an observer or volunteer  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/ewvolunteer>
- 4) Participate in an EnergyWhiz Expo  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/expo>
- 5) Participate in an FSEC Workshop:  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/professionaldevelopment>
- 6) Explore FSEC science lessons at:  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/k-12>
- 7) Check out the **EnergyWhiz.com** website for student activities
- 8) Sponsor an event or make a donation:  
<http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/go/ewsponsor>

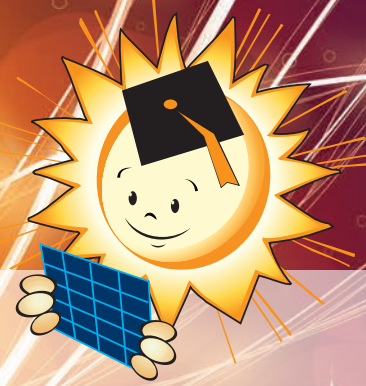
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## **Critter Comfort Cottage** **(4th – 12th Grades)**

Using green building design and construction techniques, students are challenged to create the most cost-effective, comfortable “home” for a critter. Teams also create marketing strategies that describe the features of their comfort cottage.  
[www.energywhiz.com/go/c3](http://www.energywhiz.com/go/c3)



## **Solar Energy Cookoff** **(4th – 12th Grades)**

This two-part Cookoff combines knowledge and abilities used in engineering and construction, as well as culinary arts. Teams of students apply problem-solving skills to design and build solar thermal devices that are used to cook their tasty creations.  
[www.energywhiz.com/go/solarcookoff](http://www.energywhiz.com/go/solarcookoff)



## **Electrathon** **(High School – Adult)**

The Electrathon is a competition involving custom, participant-designed and built, electric vehicles. Powered by an electric motor and batteries, these go-cart-type vehicles must be skillfully designed and driven to maximize distance traveled within a given time limit.

For more information about the Electrathon and how you can be involved, visit:  
[Electrathonoftampabay.org](http://Electrathonoftampabay.org)



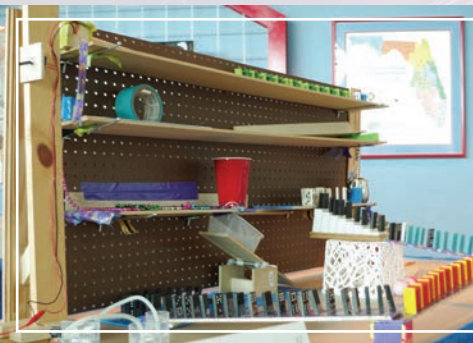
## **Junior Solar Sprint** **(4th – 8th Grades)**

Students use science skills, creative thinking, and teamwork to design and build high-performance photovoltaic (solar electric) cars. Each team produces a model-sized car that is judged on technology, craftsmanship, innovation and appearance. Cars also race on a 20-meter track in a head-to-head competition.  
[www.energywhiz.com/go/jss](http://www.energywhiz.com/go/jss)



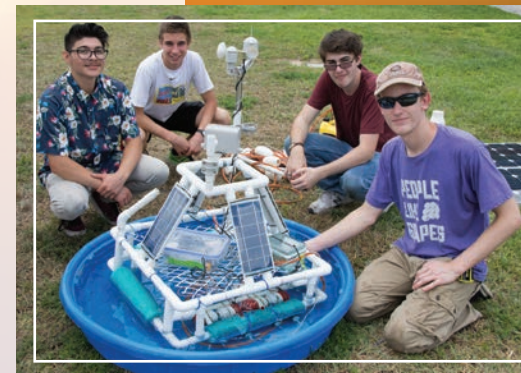
## **Energy Transfer Machine** **(4th – 12th Grades)**

Teams transform materials into Rube Goldberg-type machines that perform a specified task and then submit a video of their success.  
[www.energywhiz.com/go/etm](http://www.energywhiz.com/go/etm)



## **Energy Innovations** **(6th – 12th Grades)**

Students work together to design and market a full-scale photovoltaic solar-electric powered device that has real-world applicability. The projects are given design awards based on the creativity, construction, message and marketing of the product.  
[www.energywhiz.com/go/energyinnovations](http://www.energywhiz.com/go/energyinnovations)



## **For More Information**

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