

Rising Innovators Shine at Octotank Competition Presented by The American National High School Championship Association

Young entrepreneurs showcased business ideas at the inaugural Octotank Competition, presented by The American National High School Championship Association.

NORTHERN, VA, UNITED STATES, November 20, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The inaugural [Octotank Youth Entrepreneurship Competition](#), hosted virtually by [the American National High School Championship Association \(ANHSCA\)](#) on October 14, 2024, celebrated the entrepreneurial talents and financial literacy skills of middle and high school students.



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Sponsored by MOHJU, Chick-fil-A, MAGENT[®], and BASH Gym, the event encouraged young innovators to craft and present creative business plans to a panel of experienced

judges.

Participants were tasked with developing business ideas that reflected innovation, financial acumen, and strategic thinking. The competition showcased the talents of young visionaries and emphasized the importance of financial literacy and business strategy.

Students from Saint Michael Catholic School in Annandale, VA, delivered exceptional presentations, including Eshal Iftikhar, Ethan Powers, Paxton Le, and Sandy Le. Each student demonstrated remarkable creativity and determination. The judging panel included Chasity Williams, CEO of MOHJU, and Eric Brommer, Owner/Operator of Chick-fil-A Annandale. Mary Powers, CEO of MAGENT[®], moderated the event, while ANHSCA Founder and CEO Allen Hight played a pivotal leadership role in organizing the competition.

The competition awarded students for their exceptional business concepts. Paxton Le secured first place for his sandwich shop idea, earning a trophy and a \$100 gift card. His plan showcased operational efficiency and market understanding. Sandy Le won second place with her boba tea

kiosk plan, blending creativity with market appeal. Ethan Powers took third place for his online mixed martial arts platform, combining technology and fitness. Eshal Iftikhar earned fourth place for her photography business concept, highlighting a strong entrepreneurial vision. Each winner received certificates and gift cards, recognizing their achievements and inspiring them to continue pursuing their entrepreneurial dreams.

The American National High School Championship Association (ANHSCA), founded by Allen Hight, is dedicated to empowering young minds to shape the future. ANHSCA connects high school and middle school students with opportunities to showcase their talents, gain mentorship, and participate in internships with business professionals. “Our mission at ANHSCA is to give these young innovators the opportunities and guidance they need to excel,” says Hight. “We believe the next generation of leaders are actively seeking platforms like ANHSCA to help them meet the demands of tomorrow’s challenges. By fostering these connections, we are not only investing in their future but also ensuring the continued growth and innovation our nation requires.”

The Octotank competition emphasized the importance of financial literacy and business acumen, equipping students with essential skills for the real world. Participants gained hands-on experience in strategic planning, market analysis, and public speaking, all while presenting their ideas to seasoned entrepreneurs.

The event was made possible through the support of its sponsors: MOHJU, fostering innovation and community growth; Chick-fil-A Annandale, a long-time supporter of educational initiatives; MAGENT®, empowering businesses and individuals with strategic solutions; BASH Gym, inspiring discipline and determination; and The Watson Agency, connecting businesses and communities while supporting youth innovation. These partnerships not only provided resources but also mentorship and guidance for the participants.

The success of the Octotank Youth Entrepreneurship Competition has laid the groundwork for future events that will continue to inspire and empower young leaders. ANHSCA plans to expand its reach, offering even more students the opportunity to develop their entrepreneurial skills and



Winners At The Octotank Competition Presented By The American National High School Championship Association

connect with industry professionals.

To learn more about ANHSCA's mission to inspire young innovators and support their entrepreneurial journeys, visit [ANHSCA.com](https://www.anhscacom.com). The inaugural Octotank competition demonstrated the incredible potential of today's youth. By fostering creativity, critical thinking, and strategic planning, the event equipped participants with the tools to become the leaders and innovators of tomorrow.

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