2023 U.S. Open Robotics Championship Awards

Tournament Champion
Tournament Finalist
Skills Champion
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Honor Award
Engineer Award
Exploration Challenge Award

Champion – *"To defeat all opponents in a competition or series of competitions, so as to hold first place."* This award is given to each team of the winning alliance.

Engineer – *"To design or create using the techniques or methods of engineering."* This award is given to the team that has the best overall design and construction. Creative design as well as excellence in construction will be taken into account. Teams winning this award will have robots that are well constructed, have no sharp edges that could cause injury to people or the field, their electrical cables are securely fastened to the frame and their robot is solid with no loose parts. Also, the journey the team took to arrive at their final design and steps to construct their robot will be an important consideration in determining the winner of this award.

Finalist – **"***To defeat all opponents in a series of competitions except for the Champion, so as to hold second place. "* This award is given to each team of the second place alliance. The Finalist award will be awarded at large format tournaments.

Honor – *"Honesty, fairness and integrity in one's beliefs and actions." "A source of credit or distinction." "High respect, as for worth, merit or rank."* This is CREATE's highest award. They honor themselves and their teams by working together, working hard, and building a robot worthy of their potential. For a team to be considered for this award they must perform well in all aspects of the tournament. This award is given to the team that exemplifies all aspects of CREATE's honor code.

Exploration Challenge – *"Discover facts by investigation."* This award is given to the team with the best research project as shown by the teams depth and breath of knowledge of the chosen topic.

Skills – *"The ability to do something well."* This award is given to the team with the highest skills score.