

# DaVinci Award

*For Outstanding Creativity*

The paths we follow on our journeys were once uncharted and unknown – until someone took a bold step in a new direction and paved a way for us to follow. To solve our Challenges, imagination, creativity, originality, and courage are required. We honor those individuals and teams who most clearly demonstrate that spirit of adventurous risk in their solutions - those who most creatively traveled to reach truly new and unique destinations. The DaVinci Award is named to honor one of humanity's greatest creative thinkers, Leonardo DaVinci.

## **Criteria:**

This award is given for having a unique approach to a solution, for risk taking, and/or for outstanding creativity, not skill or talent.

## **Recipients:**

- **5 Boys + 2 Girls = DI-namite**  
**Bubb Elementary**  
***In the Zone Elementary Level Team***

The team had a wild variety of vehicles with very diverse methods of propulsion and a high degree of distance accuracy. We found the flapper and perpetual motion vehicles to be particularly captivating. They provided two forms of live music; an adaptation of a popular song with highly creative lyrics and a hand-made PVC pipe trombone. Both were integrated into the story. Their car characters were well-integrated and had distinct personalities. In this team's world, perpetual motion and wooden wings work – just like DaVinci thought they would.

- **A+ Building Crew**  
**Meyerholz Elementary School**  
***Twist-O-Rama Elementary Level Team***

Imagine New York City sky scrapers coming to life. This team used extraordinary wit and knowledge to teach a lesson about avoiding junk food consumption. The Empire State building was bullied by the new construction that symbolized good food versus the junk food. Extraordinary artwork included a well crafted Empire State building replica and backdrop of the New York skyline view.

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# **The Renaissance Award**

*For Outstanding Design, Engineering, Execution, Performance*

On our journey we sometimes encounter exceptional travelers who entertain and enlighten us along the way. The Renaissance Award recognizes those among us who demonstrate extraordinary amounts of effort and preparation in their solutions or outstanding skill in engineering, design or performance. While the destination is creativity, these fellow travelers make the journey itself memorable.

## **Criteria:**

*This award is given for outstanding skill in the areas of engineering, design, or performance.*

## **Recipients:**

- **Awesome Awkward Smart Foes LOL  
Bubb Elementary School  
Change In RealiTee Elementary Level Team**

A member of this team “WOWed Everybody” in her role as a “Diva Toothfairy!” On multiple occasions this team made the audience laugh with their great sense of humor. The performance of the Diva Toothfairy’s journey through the bodily organs caused each team member to depict each organ in a physiologically correct way. The ejection of her from the nose with “Bloody Boogers” had the audience in an uproar!

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# **Rising Stars!™ Award: For Our Rising Stars**

This award recognizes the courageous, curious and joyous first steps in the journey of life-long learning.

## **Criteria:**

This award is given to all Rising Stars!™ Teams who demonstrate a solution at a Tournament.

## **Recipients:**

- **Teams**
  - **FunnyFirstGrader – Stocklmeir**
  - **Wild Wind – Faria Wild Wind**
  - **Ninjas – Stocklmeir Elementary**
  - **Amazing Lightning**
  - **Rainbow Eagles – Murdock-Portal Elementary**
  - **Rainy Rainbow Imagination – George C. Payne Elementary**
  - **Blue Dolphins – Lincoln Elementary School**
  - **Rainbow Brothers – Lincoln Elementary School**

- **Rainbow Colors**
- **Dark Bolt – Cupertino Parents Group**
- **Eaton DI-Fun Team**
- **Physical Fish Creators – Country Lane Elementary**
- **Heart Candies – Country Lane Elementary**
- **Team Purple Pizza Planet – Country Lane Elementary**
- **The Rock My Shoes Off Beauty Huskies – Country Lane Elementary**
- **Mist Trail – Faria Elementary School**
- **The Gold and Silver Video Games – Stevenson PACT Elementary**
- **Faria Royals – Faria Elementary School**
- **The Curious Monkeys – Collins Elementary**
- **Super Rockstars – Tulip After School**
- **Star wars niners – Fairwood Elementary**
- **Silver and Pink Eagle Sharks – Fairwood Elementary**
- **The Sparkling Eight**
- **EATON2NDTEAMDI – Eaton Elementary**
- **Star Gold Sharks – Meyerholz Elementary**
- **Brewer Rising Stars – Brewer Island Elementary**
- **Water Rainbow – Meyerholz Elementary**
- **The Supermonkey Flying Furballs – Stevenson PACT Elementary**
- **Geniuses – Lincoln Elementary School**