

Rules & FAQs

Who may participate? ·

- Children ages 5 to 13 years old.
- Divided into the following age groups for judging: 5-7, 8-10, 11-13.

How do I enter the contest?

- First, you **MUST** register for the contest, starting on Monday, March 21st, 2022 (*Space is limited*).
- You may register online at [www.https://www.huntcommunitycenter.org/](https://www.huntcommunitycenter.org/) (Go to “Programs” → “Education Programs”), call the Community Center at 814-643-4241, or register in person at the Community Center.
- When you drop off your creation on the contest day, you will be given an entry form to complete. If you did not register for the program ahead of time, you will not be allowed to enter the contest.
- This will be a popular program. If you register for this event but later determine that you will not be able to attend, please call the HCC at 814-643-4241. Please let us know as soon as possible so that we can allow someone else to take your spot.

What kind of creation should I make?

- Our theme for the contest is **Favorite Thing about Outer Space**. This can be anything you love about space - planets, space crafts, aliens, constellations, or more!
- IT CAN NOT be a kit, set, or a design someone else already made.
- Entries must include a description of your inspiration/idea and any unique elements you want to point out/highlight for the judges to notice. Descriptions should be written on a 4”x6” card (given on contest day), will be used in judging, and will be posted at your creation.

What materials may I use?

- Entries must consist entirely of LEGO® , Duplo®, Mega Bloks®, or other LEGO®-compatible plastic bricks and related pieces.

- Specialized pieces from themed sets (LEGO® City, Star Wars, Creator, etc.) are allowed, but our judges also appreciate “basic” bricks used creatively!
- Please do NOT use Mindstorms®/robotics motors or lights, or similar pieces. This is not a robotics competition. We recommend (but do not require) using some kind of base plate under your creation to make it easier to transport. It can be a LEGO® base plate, a piece of cardboard, or something similar.
- Gluing or otherwise affixing pieces to one another is permitted.
- Remember, you cannot simply build a design that came with a set—you must use the bricks in a new way in your own design. We can’t stress this enough!**

May my parents, siblings, or friends help me make my creation?

- No, you must do the designing and building yourself. (But those helpful folks can help you bring your finished creation to the contest area.)

May I build my creation at the contest?

- No, your creation must be completely assembled when you arrive at the contest, or be in just a few large pieces that you can quickly put together.
- We will be having free build sessions at the community center. You can build your creation there, especially if you don’t have any Legos® and would like to enter.

Who are the judges?

- The judges are members of our community and HCC board.

What are the prizes?

- Each of the three age groups will have a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner. Judges will award single prizes for 'Best in Show” and 'Best Architectural Design”, and “Most Creative”. Members of the public

who view the creations on contest day will also have a chance to vote for “Crowd Favorite” in the three age groups

- Prizes are: 1st place - \$25 Walmart gift card, 2nd place - \$15 Walmart gift card, and 3rd place - \$10 Walmart gift card. Best in Show, Best Architectural Design, Most Creative, and Crowd Favorite will all win a lego set. All participants will get a certificate!

Keys to success:

- Be creative and original!
- Do your own work!
- Have fun!
- Contest day schedule on Saturday, May 21st 2022
 - 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM: Contestants drop off creations and fill out entry forms.
 - 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Judging
 - 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Public Viewing and voting for “Crowd Favorite”.
 - 1:30 PM Awards Ceremony – Contestants need not be present at the Awards Ceremony to win, but all creations must be picked up by the end of May 2022.