

INGENIOUS IDEAS

Inventive Ideas Pay Off

(NAPSA)—With science, technology, engineering and math (or STEM) education now increasingly important for the future, a unique competition called ExploraVision may offer a “win-win-win” situation for students, according to the contest’s sponsors. Here’s how the winners would score a triple:

- **Money For College:** Open to kindergartners through 12th-graders, the contest awards each member of four first-place teams a \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond and \$5,000 for second place.



Earning While Learning: A science competition asks today’s students to ponder tomorrow’s challenges.

- **Learning Made Fun:** ExploraVision challenges students to work in teams of two to four, using their imaginations to envision cool future technologies. Previous winning ideas included a device to help solve the problem of illegal steroids in sports.

- **Impacting Society:** Many students nowadays create projects addressing environmental issues, and some of their “green” inventions could someday contribute to a sustainable future.

Sponsored by Toshiba and administered by the National Science Teachers Association, the contest’s entry deadline is February 2, 2010. Visit the Web site www.exploravision.org or call (800) EXPLOR-9 for more information, and follow ExploraVision on Twitter@exploravision.