



# STUDENT FOUNDERS: PITCH YOUR IDEA AT FLYWHEEL

**May 20-21, 2026** Wenatchee, WA

The Student Pitch Competition is Wednesday, May 20 from 9:00am to 1:30pm

## Ready to Pitch Your Startup?

The Flywheel Student Pitch Competition highlights emerging student-led startups from across Washington State. Selected teams will pitch live to investors, entrepreneurs, and industry leaders during the 2026 Flywheel Investment Conference in Wenatchee.

*Gain real-world experience pitching your startup in a professional investment environment and connect with the people who help ideas grow into companies.*

## Who Should Apply

We are looking for student founders who are:

- Building a prototype, product, or startup idea
- Testing their idea with potential users or customers
- Exploring commercialization beyond the classroom

*Startups do not need to be fully formed companies, but teams should be actively developing the venture.*

[www.flywheelconference.com/studentpitch](http://www.flywheelconference.com/studentpitch)



## COMPETE

Only 6-8 student-led startups will be selected to compete live for:

*\$2,500 Judges Choice Award*

*\$500 Audience Choice Award*

*All competitors receive at least \$250 in recognition*

## NOMINATE

Universities, colleges, and high schools may nominate up to three student-led startups for priority review, helping highlight student innovation and connect emerging founders.

## APPLY

Student founders can apply to compete without a nomination.

Students should be able to demonstrate active development of their venture.