

# Champs Advancement Criteria 2023-24

## How to secure your place at the championships this year

We're excited that the Champs are back again this year after an incredible National Championship event held in Cambridge last year. We loved it so much we are returning to University of Cambridge Sports Centre to give even more teams the opportunity to experience this exhilarating event!

The 2023-24 champs will be a **36 team** event with a combination of the best performing teams and some award winners from each region.

**36 teams** will advance based on the criteria below:

- The advancement spots are allocated proportionally across our regional events against the number of teams per regional. This means that some regionals will advance less teams than others because the size of that regional is smaller (and vice versa)

- The advancement criteria allows for the judges to progress teams who have impressed in any of the judged award categories.
- Beyond the advancing teams, the other teams will be placed on a waitlist in case of teams being unable to attend the Championship event.
- These waitlist teams will be advanced to the National Championship in award ranking order.
- **All advancing teams will be announced at the end of their regional event day**

## Advancement Criteria

	Inspire Award Winner	Winning Alliance Captain	Judges 1st Choice	Winning Alliance 1st Team	Judges 2nd Choice	Winning Alliance 2nd Team	Judges 3rd Choice
W5 (NI)	✓	✓					
Calderstones School (NW)	✓	✓					
Heart of Midlothian FC (S)	✓	✓	✓				
Sheffield Hallam University (Y&H)	✓	✓	✓				
Alconbury Middle High School (E)	✓	✓	✓				
St Margaret Ward (WM)	✓	✓	✓				
Aston University Engineering Academy (WM)	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Harris Academy Sutton (SE)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Bournemouth School for Girls (SW)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
American School in London (SE)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

- The grid gives an idea of what this advancement looks like, with the advancement criteria on the top, and each qualifying tournament on the left. This may change on the day if some of the awards are not given out.
- For example, at the N. Ireland regional we have two spots available to progress to championships which will be the Inspire Award Winner, and Winning Alliance Captain.
- If a progressing team is unable to attend the Championship event, a team from the waitlist will advance in award ranking order. This means the first teams to advance will be the Judges 1st Choice award winners from W5 and Calderstones Schools.

## **Preparations ahead of the champs**

The championships will be a single day event comprising the **36** most impressive teams of future innovators across the UK regionals. Teams will be competing against each other with the opportunity to win national awards that recognise the hard work displayed. This event will be held in Cambridge at the University of Cambridge Sports Centre on **Friday 21 June**. Save the date!

All teams are advised to fundraise as a means of covering all potential travel and accommodation costs ahead of their regional competition outcome.

**Good Luck Teams!**