The Fairchild Challenge at Phipps

2017-2018
Dr. Maria Wheeler-Dubas

Keynote Speaker
Challenge 1: “Eco Edibles”
Challenge #1: “Eco Edibles”

Special Merit:

St. Philip School

Lillianna Peterson
Eva Lowder
Julianna Umalin
Matthew Smith
Leah Zielinski
Will Stickman
Ashley Boehm
Ian Swanson
Matthew McDevitt
Zachary Bittner
Aidan Carey
Josie Bocchichio
Presley Holmes
Challenge #1: “Eco Edibles”

Special Merit:

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children

Gabriel  Bradley
Serena   Nevaeh
Isaiah   Kevin
Layla    Carli
Regina   Kaylee
Greyson  Hannah
Sophia   Jasper
Taylor   Davontae
Jameson  Ethan
Shane    Justice
Ayden    Abigail
Evan     Gianna
Nico     Aidan
Challenge #1: “Eco Edibles”

Third Place:

Peters Township Middle School

Shelby Bonczek
Challenge #1: “Eco Edibles”

Second Place:

Trinity Middle School

Caiti Alder
Eden Williamson
Avery O'Sullivan
Sydney Avant
Rayne Elling
Kristina Bozek
Andrew Harshman
Ava Campman
Rylee Elling
Rachel Chase
Challenge #1: “Eco Edibles”

First Place:
Woodland Hills Academy

Nathan Scott
Mia Carter
Sheldon Summers
Ivan Remaley
Isabel Concepcion
Mia Damico
Alicia Matthews
Helena Marshall
Sofie Nestico
Briana Nesbitt
Challenge 2: “Petals and Pollinators”
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

Special Merit:

Penn Middle School

Sophia Green
Mackenzie Keenan
Emma Edwards
Natalie Goldsworthy
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

Special Merit:
Trafford Middle School

Gigi Emahizer
Tali Brobst
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

Special Merit:
Trafford Middle School

Brianna Elias
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

Special Merit:
Trinity Middle School

Katerina Saxon
Ava Campman
Sydney Avant
Avery O'Sullivan
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

Third Place:
Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children

Layla
Delilah
Luke
Graham
Sophie
Justice
Olivia
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

Second Place:
Woodland Hills Academy

Lucy Elston
Helena Marshall
Zoe Painter
Ivan Remaley
Nathan Scott
Zoe Spear
Challenge #2: “Petals & Pollinators”
Global Challenge

First Place:
Woodland Hills Academy

Bree Boyd
Isabele Concepcion
Mia Damico
Max Onder
Alex Shimenko
Alicia Matthews
Briana Nesbitt
Challenge 3: “Eco Lots”
Challenge #3: “Eco Lots”

Special Merit:

Trafford Middle School

Gigi Emahizer
Tali Brobst
Kate Malley
Delena Steimer
Maura Coiner
Jillian McLaughlin
Charlotte Paal
Challenge #3: “Eco Lots”

Special Merit:

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children

Olivia
Sophie
Layla
Graham
Luke
Delilah
Justice
Edin
Abigail
Jasper
Serena
Austin
Jakob

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children
Mission Statement

Enabling Sensory Garden

The mission of the community Enabling Sensory Garden is to encourage students of varying abilities to enjoy the rewarding experience of gardening. Physical limitations can deter one from participating in leisure activities such as gardening. Our multi-sensory garden is an example of the one activity that is often regarded only for those who are able-bodied. By modifying designs, equipment, and materials, one can overcome many of the physical challenges imposed. Our mission is to offer accessible gardening to all regardless of one’s abilities.
Challenge #3: “Eco Lots”

Third Place:

Trinity Middle School

Caiti Alder
Riley Dunn
Rayne Elling
Rylee Elling
Kristina Bozek
Eden Williamson
Andrew Harshman
Emma Riddell
Challenge #3: “Eco Lots”

Second Place:

South Allegheny Elementary School

Caleb Bocianoski
William Bratkowski
Lily Dranko
Suha Joe
Challenge #3: “Eco Lots”

First Place:

Woodland Hills Academy

Thomas Bellows
Mia Carter
Annelise Hanson
Sofie Nestico
Hailey Woods
Zoe Freddo
Bree Boyd
Isabel Concepcion
Mia Damico
Lucy Elston
Dasan Jay
Gianni Maffessanti
Jackson Mamakos

Helena Marshall
Alicia Matthews
Briana Nesbitt
Max Onder
Zoe Painter
Ivan Remaley
Nathan Scott
Alex Shimenko
Zoe Spear
Sheldon Summers
Tommy Kristian
Ryan Powers
Jack Rattigan
Challenge 4: “An Ode to Nature”
Challenge #4: “An Ode to Nature”

Special Merit:
Dorseyville Middle School

Liviya Rubin
Lucas Gravina

If you’ve never been to Grandad’s Ranch,
You don’t know the woods.
With the towering structure it is a noble giant.
Oh yellow pine, magnificently defiant.
Endless hours forests we go chasing.

If you’ve never been to Grandad’s Ranch,
You don’t know the animals.
Fuzzy roosters protect the hens.
Little bunnies, all cooped up in their pens.
As we play off, so worry this.

Oh Liviya and Lit come chasing after us.
If you’ve never been to Grandad’s Ranch,
You just can’t know ME.

You see.
My toes are wet.
My knees are cold.
My top is muddy.
My experience is pure gold.
Challenge #4: “An Ode to Nature”

Special Merit:

Holy Trinity School

Maddie Ashbaugh
Maria Cicchino
Kaia Douglass
Deven Kumar
Grace Murray
Marie Pigoni
Luke Baker
Reighan Bean
Dominic Bodek
Sofia Davoli
Jenna Gardner
Bianca Golomb
Gabriella Novelli
Julia Seng
Contessa Tripodi
Challenge #4: “An Ode to Nature”

Special Merit:
St. Philip School

Bella Malloy
Presley Holmes
Ashley Boehm
Gabby Muoio
Leah Zielénski
Evans Seitz
Branden Sniadach
John Henry Luke
Katarina Komoroski
Amara Comans
Liam Allen
Emily Coll
Charlie Colantonio
Gia Marino
Josie Bochicchio
Challenge #4: “An Ode to Nature”

Third Place:
Trafford Middle School

Mia Muro
Rylyn Ickes
Berkley Olszewski
Ella Morocco
Gigi Emahizer

Maura Coiner
Teresa Steffans
Delena Steimer
Kate Malley
Challenge #4: “An Ode to Nature”

Second Place:
Woodland Hills Academy

Bree Boyd
Ivan Remaley
Helena Marshall
Briana Nesbitt
Maxwell Onder
Alicia Matthews

Zoe Painter
Mia Carter
Lucy Elston
Sheldon Summers
Mia Damico
Zoe Spear
Gianni Maffessanti
Ryan Powers
Alex Shimenko

If you’re not from Pittsburgh,
You don’t know the weather;
You can’t know the rain;
The snow is white as wool,
The leaves of fall are one of a kind.
The sun is bright and unique;
The color is bright unlike any kid.
If you’re not from Pittsburgh,
You don’t know the weather.

If you’re from Pittsburgh,
You don’t know the river,
You can’t know the stream;
Waves on the water wash up on a boat,
so gentle to keep the boat afloat.
The flats, the flood, the drift, the coast,
You feel it wrap on one’s own hand.
If you’re not from Pittsburgh,
You don’t know the river.

If you’re not from Pittsburgh,
You don’t know the stars,
You can’t know the ones;
As you fall asleep constellations appear,
If you want to see stars you should travel here,
Images in the sky keep you awake,
Travel to see the stars for goodness sake,
If you’re not from Pittsburgh,
You don’t know the stars.
Challenge #4: “An Ode to Nature”

First Place: Trinity Middle School

Ava Campman  
Caiti Alder  
Katerina Saxon  
Sydney Avant  
Andrew Harshman  
Avery O'Sullivan  
Rylee Elling  
Emma Riddell  
Riley Dunn  
Rayne Elling  
Eden Williamson  
Kristina Bozek

If you're not from PA...
Optional Video Challenge: 
“Environmental Citizens”

2017-2018

Patti Burns Prize for Excellence in Communication and Media
Peters Township Middle School, Shelby Bonczek
Challenge 5: Environmental Action: Home, School or Community
Challenge #5: Environmental Action

Special Merit:

Trafford Middle School

Gigi Emahizer
Tali Brobst
Mia Muro
Rylyn Ickes
Grace Chedwick
Kari Leventopoulos
Bryce Kropczynski
Eli Emahizer
Delaney Casavant
Zachary Cassidy
Rayenah Hatam
Berkley Olszewski
Jillian McLaughlin
Challenge #5: Environmental Action

Special Merit:

Trinity Middle School

Ava Campman
Rayne Elling
Rylee Elling
Jack Halulko
Emma Riddell
Eden Williamson
Kristina Bozek
Andrew Harshman
Caiti Alder
Challenge #5: Environmental Action

Third Place:
Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children

Abigail
Edin
Jasper
Serena
Austin
Jakob
Graham
Layla
Luke
Olivia
Delilah
Sophie
Justice
Challenge #5: Environmental Action

Second Place:

Holy Trinity

Maddie Ashbaugh  
Joey Cicchino  
Maria Cicchino  
Kaia Douglass  
Dominic Kolocuris  
Deven Kumar  
Addison Miskow  
Grace Murray  
Marie Pigoni  
Ryan Saginaw  
Samantha Sawayda  
McKinley Walsh  
Luke Baker  
Reighan Bean  
Eliza Bell  
Dominic Bodek  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Sofia Davoli  
Jenna Gardner  
Bianca Golomb  
Julian Myron  
Gabriella Novelli  
Julia Seng

Stephen Baker  
Isabella Cardimen  
Damian Davila  
Gianni Domenico  
Vincent Frank  
James Gaffney  
Samuel Gaffney  
Tyler Gaffney  
Arrianna Hagan  
Morgan Hagan  
Isaac Huang  
Marco Iacchetti  
Kyle Janas  
Joseph Leininger  
Karolina Lucas  
Charles Mawhinney  
Melaina Merlo  
Daniel Miller  
Clare Mulvay  
Olivia Mulvay  
Lorin Planinsic  
Kyle Rooney  
Amanda Strub

Michael Smith  
Contessa Tripodi  
Aaron Williams  
Sierra Abbott  
Lily Barbisch  
Alan Betten  
Kara Bridge  
Collin Cimino  
Erin Dorsett  
William Fryer  
David Gallagher  
Hunter Gorsuch  
Christopher Ireland  
Natalie Krulac  
Corinne Ludwick  
Luca Michnowicz  
Katherine Mickle  
Evelyn Minzer  
Caiden Ohrn  
Nathaniel Schmid  
Isabelle Seibel  
Sage Sonnett  
Nicholas Walker  
Allison Weaver  
Olivia Wegrzynowicz  
Victoria Wegrzynowicz  
Alexis Zurbola
Challenge #5: Environmental Action

First Place:
Woodland Hills Academy

Bree Boyd  
Isabel Concepcion  
Mia Damico  
Lucy Elston  
Dasan Jay  
Gianni Maffessanti  
Jackson Mamakos  
Helena Marshall  
Alicia Matthews  
Briana Nesbitt  
Max Onder  
Zoe Painter  
Ivan Remaley  
Nathan Scott  
Alex Shimenko  

Zoe Spear  
Sheldon Summers  
Yves Agbodoh  
Thomas Bellows  
Mia Carter  
Ethan DeCrosta  
Annelise Hanson  
Carson Hertrick  
Tommy Kristian  
Sofie Nestico  
Ryan Powers  
Jack Rattigan  
Hailey Woods  
Zoe Freddo
Exhibitor Awards

Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy
  • Jake Stahl, Sam Amodeo and Zachary Poppish

Elizabeth Forward Middle School
  • Brandon Johnson

Penn Middle School
  • Sophia Green, Mackenzie Keenan, Emma Edwards and Natalie Goldsworthy

South Allegheny Elementary School
  • Caleb Bocianoski, William Bratkowski, Lily Dranko and Suha Joe

Trafford Middle School
  • Brianna Elias, Gigi Emahizer and Tali Brobst

Trinity Middle School
  • Katerina Saxon, Ana Campman Sydney Avant and Avery O’Sullivan

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children
  • Layla, Delilah, Luke, Graham, Sophie, Justice and Olivia

Woodland Hills Academy
  • Bree Boyd, Isabele Concepcion, Mia Damico, Max Onder, Alex Shimenko, Alicia Matthews, Briana Nesbitt, Lucy Elston, Helena Marshall, Zoe Painter, Ivan Remaley, Nathan Scott and Zoe Spear
Food Waste Warriors

Woodland Hills Academy
Rookie Schools 2017-2018

Holy Trinity School

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children
Participation Awards

Burgettstown Middle School
Canonsburg Middle School
Carson Middle School
Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy
Dorseyville Middle School
Elizabeth Forward Middle School
Environmental Charter School
Ingomar Middle School
Penn Middle School
Peters Township Middle School
South Allegheny Elementary School
South Fayette Middle School
Woodland Hills Intermediate
The Fairchild Challenge Awards

Brentwood Middle School
Holy Trinity School
Keystone Oaks Middle School
St. Philip School
Trafford Middle School
Trinity Middle School
Washington Park Elementary School
Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children
Woodland Hills Academy
Overall 2017-2018 Phipps Fairchild Challenge Winners

Third Place

Holy Trinity School
St. Philip School
Trafford Middle School
Overall 2017-2018 Phipps Fairchild Challenge Winners

Second Place

Trinity Middle School
Overall 2017-2018 Phipps Fairchild Challenge Winners

First Place

Woodland Hills Academy
Congratulations and Thank You!

Students, Teachers, Panelists, Volunteers, Parents, Phipps staff & Dr. Maria Wheeler-Dubas