Update #3: 11.24.15

Hello Future City Educators:

The Indiana Future City Committee is pleased to have all of you participate in this year’s competition! Thank you for working with your teams!

From this point on, you will not only receive email announcements from National Future City, but also from our Indiana Committee.

These updates contain important information so please read them in a timely fashion if you can.

In this email update:

1) First deadline coming up: Virtual City power point deadline: December 1
See below:
Reminders of rules and what was to be included in this slideshow

2) Team Deadline Date: December 16:
All of your teams should be listed in your National Future City team page by this date. The name for the team is the SAME city name as on all parts of the project and cannot change after you submit your Virtual City Slideshow. Please make sure the spelling is the same every time you use the team name. Team members may be changed up to the week before the competition but your initial list of team members must be entered into the National Future City team page.

3) Mentor registration: Please have all mentors register through the National Future City website. All mentors must be entered before the competition.

Further Information for the upcoming Virtual City Slideshow Deadline: December 1 by 5:00 PM (EDT)

What is due: Virtual City Slideshow

Requirements: see page 27 of your handbook

a) Completed Slideshow in either Power Point or Prezi using the template provided submitted through the National Future City educator account.
b) Do not exceed 28 slides
c) During the teams work on the virtual city they should have: selected a region, done it without cheat codes if possible, turned off random disasters, and did not used Sandbox mode
e) Late submission will receive 5 point deduction but may still be submitted up to December 15th. No Virtual Cities will be accepted after this date.

Phases of Virtual City and inclusion in the slideshow. See details on page 43 of handbook
Phase 1: The population range should have been between 2500-5000 Sims
---4 screen shots of the city in phase 1: birds-eye view, budget panel, 2 screenshots of population panel
GOALS: Identify 2 goals for the city. They should be meaningful (significant) goals relevant to the city. Describe strategies to achieve the goals, and describe progress toward the goals with evidence from SimCity.
Phase 2: The population range should be between 5000-15,000 Sims
---Record progress toward the goals set out in Phase 1
---Required screen shots with explanation of progress toward goals
---Describe any changes in the strategy to better achieve the goals
Phase 3: Final view of the city
---How well has the team achieved their two goals
---Were there any lessons learned?
---How will this experience impact the other parts of the Future City project?

CHECK LIST for the slideshow presentation; hints to do well with the judge’s rubric
(you can download the judges manual under “resources” tab at National Future City).
I used the judge rubric for this list so check it out to see what judges will use!

Proof read for spelling and other possible errors.
Follow the template.
Check for needed screen shots and any others to illustrate their progress/strategies/achievement of goals at each phase.
Include the three above reporting phases showing progress toward the goals.
Describe why goals are significant/meaningful to the city.
Benchmark evaluation of how the team did should be accurate, honest, and detailed.
Describe changes/adaptations to strategies if the original ideas were not working. (i.e. refinement)
Results of any refinements in strategies toward goals; what were the results?
Summary of lessons learned; talk about the engineering design process.
Tell how what you learned will impact the rest of the project (building the city, city description, presentation)

Please don’t hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns. Good luck! One more reminder will be sent the day before the due date.

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