

CiC-LMIT Invention Convention Key Dates



Tue. Jan. 18, 12:00pm	CiC-LMIT “Lunch & Learn” for prospective parents, judges, sponsors, etc.
Sat. Jan. 22, 9am	CiC-LMIT Student Panel info/launch session for K-12 students
Sat. Feb. 12, 9am	Virtual Invention Education workshop for K-12 students who are participating in Massachusetts Invention Convention
Tue. Mar. 15, 12:00pm	Judges training for all Invention Convention events
Wed. Mar. 16, 12:00pm	Judges training for all Invention Convention events
Fri. Mar. 18, 11:59pm	Student submissions due for CiC-LMIT Invention Convention qualifying event
Mar. 19—23	Asynchronous judging period for the CiC-LMIT Invention Convention qualifying event
Fri. Mar. 25, 6pm	Winners of CiC-LMIT Invention Convention qualifying event announced Winners go on to Massachusetts Invention Convention (held virtually this year)
Sat. Mar. 26, 11:59pm	All entries to the Massachusetts Invention Convention due to ma.inventionconvention.org portal
Mar. 28—April 9	Asynchronous judging period for Massachusetts Invention Convention
Sat. Apr. 23	Massachusetts Invention Convention Awards Ceremony (held virtually this year) Winners who go on to Nationals announced
May 31—June 3rd	National Invention Convention (virtual, hybrid, or in-person TBD)

The Plan to Submit by March 18th!

Invention Process Step	Corresponding Activities in Resource Folders
Introduction to Inventing (today!)	Catalog Combo - What is an invention? – Designing for a Fairy or Wizard - REGISTER & START YOUR INVENTION LOG!
Finding and Defining Problems (1 week)	SCAMPER - An Object Everyday - Talking to parents/the news/friends/pets
Inquiry and Researching (2 weeks)	Talking to the experts and researching patents through the USPTO & shopping sites USE JUDGING RUBRIC
Designing (2 week)	Draw a model of your prototype - Show your model to people for advice!
Building and Testing (2 weeks, including Iteration)	Build your first prototype - Test your first prototype - Show your prototype to people...get advice! - Iteration Time
Communicating (1 week)	Design Digital Display - Script and practice presentation UPLOAD ENTRY TO CIC-LMIT INVENTION CONVENTION SITE