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FCC NTX Update: Team Center, SimCity coming due, Next step essay/narrative

All:

ENTER YOUR TEAMS INTO THE TEAM CENTER

If you have not already done so, log into the Team Center (www.dfwfuturecity.org/teamcenter.html) and enter all of your teams and team members. You will need to have your teams created/entered into the system before you can submit (upload) your SimCity, Essay and Narrative files.

PLEASE ALSO ASK YOUR ENGINEERS to log in, enter their information and connect with their teams. Mentors will then be able to manage teams and upload files and forms.

SIMCITY INITIAL DEADLINE 26 NOVEMBER

The due date for your SimCity file is 26 November. You will upload your files through the Team Center (www.dfwfuturecity.org/teamcenter.html).

Instructions on locating and uploading your files: www.dfwfuturecity.org/SCFiles.pdf.

LATE SUBMISSIONS of SimCity files will be accepted with a small deduction through 19 December.

If you are still working on the SimCity, you might want to take a look at the tips and suggestions in: http://www.dfwfuturecity.org/SC_Tips.pdf.

Finally, keep in mind that there is a "Partial Participation" option available for all teams. This means that you do not have to submit all of the deliverables. You will still be eligible to present your model and be considered for some of the special awards. This way, you can get most of the benefit and experience of the Future City program.

NEXT PHASE – ESSAY AND NARRATIVE

The research essay: Feeding Future Cities, is the next deliverable, due on 19 December. You can find information and rules for the essay in the Program Handbook and online at <http://futurecity.org/essay/overview>.

ESSAY RESOURCES: Webinar recording at: http://youtu.be/S_VoL46MTEI, Links <http://futurecity.org/essay/resources>, and copies of past NTX winning essays http://www.dfwfuturecity.org/team_rsrc.html#more.

The Narrative is a short "chamber of commerce" piece describing your city, its main features and special services. See the Program Handbook and <http://futurecity.org/narrative/overview>.

FINALLY – it's not too early to start planning your model. Start collecting recyclables and other materials to use for building the model.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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