

Drones in School is excited to announce we will again be hosting our National Race in cooperation with AUVSI at the 2023 XPONENTIAL conference in Denver, Colorado. The National Race will be a two-day event on May 10th and 11th.

XPONENTIAL is a yearly gathering of global leaders and end users in the uncrewed systems and robotics industry. Founded on the belief that cross-pollination drives innovation, it features opportunities to connect and problem-solve with experts across markets and domains. XPONENTIAL gives our teams the opportunity to showcase their technological and operational excellence.

Last year eleven teams participated in the National Championship Race at XPONENTIAL in Orlando, Florida. This year twelve middle school and twelve high school teams will be invited to this event based on the team standings in each competition format; simulator races, virtual races, and live race events. At the National Race, these teams will showcase their team display, team portfolio, and marketing video while also competing in live head-to-head and capture the flag racing. With over one-hundred teams representing Indiana, North Dakota, Florida, Ohio, Massachusetts, Hawaii, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, and Oregon vying for a chance to compete at the National Race, we're sure this event will be an exciting sequel to our 2022 championship.

The Drones in School team is seeking additional sponsors for the National Race to make this event the best it can be. Drones in School Executive Director Tad Douce explains more, "Since the 2020-21 school year, we have seen tremendous interest in this program. Since then, we've grown from thirteen teams to over one hundred, with more schools coming on board weekly. Supporting Drones in School as a National Race Sponsor helps us provide the best educational experience imaginable for these students and promotes your brand in the UAS industry as a long-term partner committed to developing the workforce pipeline needed for future success."

Since Drones in School is a program of the 501c3 nonprofit, EduEverything, Inc., your sponsorship is tax-deductible, and you can be sure your funds are being used for STEM programming.

While we have accomplished a great deal over the past three years, our goal is to continue to reach and impact even more youth in all communities. Our participants will go on to become technicians, engineers, pilots, designers, project managers, and leaders in their communities. Whether it is classroom curriculum, competitive events, or educator workshops, Drones in School understands the level of commitment needed to develop and foster student participation. We rely on our corporate, foundation, and partner organizations' support to sustain and expand our programs each year.

If you want to learn more about the opportunities available for sponsors and partners, please contact our team at: info@dronesinschool.com.

AUVSI, the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to the advancement of uncrewed systems and robotics, and Messe Düsseldorf Group, one of the world's largest organizers of international trade shows, have joined forces to strengthen the global community at XPONENTIAL and ensure that new autonomous technologies are implemented in safe and equitable ways — making autonomy work for everyone.

Drones in School is an Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Authorized STE(A)M Program and a Founding Member of the MultiGP STEM Alliance. Drones in School is a unique educational program that develops aeronautics, engineering, project management, entrepreneurship, graphic design, and marketing skills. Drones in School is a comprehensive event that challenges students to go beyond their current skills through a fun and engaging process that wraps around the exciting sport of drone racing.

