



## Nebraska Event Partner Rules 2019-2020

- 1) All China Cup invitations/awards for the Nebraska Chapter, will be determined by the Open Program Nebraska State Championship. This event will be a 36 team event taking place in mid February.
- 2) Any CREATE Open Event Partner in good standing may bid for the right to host the Open Program Nebraska State Championship. Bid forms will be sent to all qualifying Event Partners no later than June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- 3) All official regular season Open Program tournaments will qualify teams to the Nebraska State Championship based upon the following tiers of participating teams:
  1. 16-23
    1. Honor Award Winner
  2. 24-35
    1. Honor Award Winner
    2. Innovation Award Winner
    3. Tournament Champions (2)
  3. 36-49
    1. Honor Award Winner
    2. Innovation Award Winner
    3. Tournament Champions (2)
    4. Skills Champion
  4. 50+ - Honor
    1. Honor Award Winner
    2. Innovation Award Winner
    3. Tournament Champions (2)
    4. Tournament Finalists (2)
    5. Skills Champion
    6. Skills Finalist
- 4) If less than 36 teams have qualified via regular season tournaments for the State Championship, then the season long Nebraska State Skills rankings will be used to invite teams to reach 36 participants.
- 5) In order for an Open Program Event to be a State Championship Qualifier, the event it must be posted and approved by CREATE by November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. This is important for teams to plan out their season. By having a complete set of Official regular season events at the beginning of the season teams are better able to plan. Event partners are free to add events after the November 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, however those events will not be qualifiers for the Nebraska State Championship.

- 6) A minimum of 16 PARTICIPATING teams is required to be a Nebraska State Championship Qualifier. In the rare instance that 16 or more teams register, but due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, less than 16 teams actually participate, the Event Partner can petition CREATE to still include the event as a State Championship Qualifier. Each situation will be dealt with on a case by case basis.
- 7) All China Cup Awards and partially sponsored trips to China (China Cup Invitations) will be determined by the following award winners at the Open Program Nebraska State Championship Event:
  1. Honor Award Winner – China Cup Invitation, Trophy and Name on Traveling Trophy
  2. Tournament Champions (2) – China Cup Invitation, and Trophy
  3. Innovation Award Winner – China Cup Invitation
  4. Skills Champion – China Cup Invitation
  5. If winning teams decline the trip, teams based upon their skills scores at the State Championship will be invited to take their place, in the order they were ranked.