Announcing Our 2021 e-Fest Finalists

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Each year, student entrepreneurs from around the country submit their biggest and brightest business ideas for the chance to win their share of over \$200,000 through e-Fest, our entrepreneurship competition for undergraduates. This year will mark our fifth e-Fest competition.

After reviewing nearly 100 submissions from 59 colleges and universities across the United States, expert judges selected the top 25 undergraduate teams to compete for more prizes at the 3-day e-Fest celebration of undergraduate entrepreneurship, April 22-24.

For the first time ever, the event will be virtual – still bringing together the three competitions e-Fest is known for, but this year in an interactive online format. We'll miss hosting the event in person at the University of St. Thomas this year, but look forward to bringing together student entrepreneurs in a new way.

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institutes/schulze-school/), and EIX, e-Fest celebrates 25 student teams who submitted the top business pitches in a preliminary online competition. At the e-Fest finals, student teams will compete for cash prizes in a Pitch Slam, an Innovation Challenge and the featured event, the Schulze Entrepreneurship Challenge, (https://efest.biz) where the top prize is \$50,000. Other cash prizes will be awarded for business ideas with the greatest social and global impact.

More information about our next e-Fest competition can be found **here.** (https://efest.biz)



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