

HOME BUILDERS & REMODELERS ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL CONNECTICUT

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Dear Instructor:

The Home Builders & Remodelers Association of Central Connecticut is excited to announce the criteria for the 2024 Student Home Design Contest. As you may know, this Student Design Contest has been approved by the Non-Athletic Activities Board of Control by the Connecticut Association of Secondary Schools.

This competition is an integral part of the CT Home & Remodeling Show which will be held at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford from February 9-11, 2024. This will be the 75th year for the HBRA to hold the Student Home Design Contest and we have awarded more than \$100,000 in scholarships and prizes to students across the state. As you are planning your curriculum for the 2023-2024 school year we hope that you will make this a key component of your course curriculum. **Due to a shift of dates for the Home & Remodeling Show to early February, please note the day to drop student models off is THURSDAY, FEBRAURY 8, before 12 noon.**

Last year we had a good number of registrants, and we look forward to seeing more schools participate in the Student Home Design Contest in 2024. We are encouraging students to incorporate unique site features into their models, as well as adding optional design elements – accessibility and energy efficiency features. While these components are not mandatory design elements, they will allow students to be more creative and incorporate unique design elements that are becoming popular in today's applications.

The HBRA would also like to thank ByCarrier, Santini Homes, Inc and Kemper Associates for their continued support and for sponsoring the 2024 Student Home Design Contest. ByCarrier will be awarding cash prizes to the schools for the judge's categories, to help schools purchase items to enhance their curriculum.

The Home Builders & Remodelers Association has sample lesson plans prepared by teachers that have participated in this competition in the past. If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact the Home Builders & Remodelers Association of Central Connecticut at (860) 563-4212.

We look forward to your participation and seeing you and your students at the 2024 CT Home & Remodeling Show.

Sincerely,

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