Eagle Works Rules:

- All presenting team members must be currently enrolled Tennessee Tech University students.
 All majors are encouraged to participate! Students may be full or part time, undergraduate or graduate level.
 - a. If you graduated in December prior to the competition, you may still compete; however, you will not be eligible to receive awards as all prizes are applied to student accounts.
- 2. The idea must originate from Tech students.
 - a. The idea or company must be majority owned by Tech students (at least 51% of the idea or company must be owned by current Tech students).
- 3. Projects done for a class ARE permitted as entries.
- 4. You will own all rights to your business; however, there are a few caveats:
 - a. Significant use of university resources may require equity share; also:
 - b. There are circumstances in which you can optionally choose to partner with TN Tech for an equity stake in your company to cover patent filings, legal work, etc. Please view the video here for more information.
 - c. Review the IP Policy HERE.
 - d. If you are competing, you will be sharing information about your idea with Eagle Works staff, judges, and potentially the general public. If you have concerns about your intellectual property, please <u>contact us</u> so we can connect you with someone who can assist.
- 5. Awards will be placed on your student account as a scholarship for the current semester.
 - a. Awards will be equally distributed among team members.
 - b. If you are already at the maximum scholarship level, let us know ahead of time!
- 6. If you have won first place at Eagle Works previously, you may not compete in the main competition or a challenge with the same idea again.
 - a. If you won second or third place, or a secondary award, in the main competition, we encourage you to continue working on your idea and compete again.
 - b. If you won any award at one of the challenges, you are encouraged to use the funds to work on your idea and enter it in the main competition.
 - For smaller challenges, first place teams may compete in different challenges with the same idea (i.e. Idea Challenge and Design Challenge) but may NOT compete with a winning idea in the same challenge more than once
 - c. If you have won first place in the main Eagle Works competition, you **MAY NOT** enter that same idea in any of the challenges.