Grow-NY Youth Competition Application

Calling all youth food system and technology entrepreneurs!

Our youth are the next generation of business developers, agriculture, food, and technology leaders. With the hope of inspiring and investing in the future of food, select middle and high school youth will be chosen to pitch their business idea during the competition to a panel of youth judges in November 2024.

Applications are due October 1, 2024 by 11:45pm EST.

Will you be presenting as an individual or a group? (Groups are limited to 3 students)

Applicant Information

Youth Name

School or Homeschool Name

Grade (as of November 2024)

New York State County Residing In

Please list any youth organizations you are affiliated with (FFA, 4-H, National Honor Society, MANNRS, etc.).

In five sentences or less, please describe yourself.

Group Member #2 Information

Youth Name #2

School or Homeschool Name

Grade (as of November 2024)

New York State County Residing In

**Please list any youth organizations
you are affiliated with (FFA, 4-H,
National Honor Society, MANNRS,
etc.).**

In five sentences or less, please describe yourself.

Group Member #3 Information

Youth Name #3

School or Homeschool Name

Grade (as of November 2024)

New York State County Residing In

**Please list any youth organizations
you are affiliated with (FFA, 4-H,
National Honor Society, MANNRS,
etc.).**

In five sentences or less, please describe yourself.

Adult Partner Information

**Adult Partner Name (Teacher, Parent,
Leader, etc.)**

Adult Partner E-Mail Address

Adult Partner Phone Number

Innovation Information

Business or Product Name

**Company or Product Logo (if
applicable)**

Company Website or Social Media Presence (if applicable)

Select the one industry sector that best describes your business idea

Describe your business or idea. Why is this innovative business, idea, or service unique?

Do you have a tangible prototype, sample, or beta version of your product/service/idea to show?

Please describe the stage of development of the primary product or service you would like to pitch to Grow-NY.

Describe your market and target customer. How does your product or approach meet your customer needs or problems?

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