

Avnet produces local winners from Tech Games



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Nearly 200 students on 76 teams from Arizona community colleges and universities competed for scholarships in the ninth annual [Avnet](#) Tech Games, a contest that provides students with an opportunity to apply what they learn in school to real-world scenarios.

Avnet Inc., a Phoenix-based global technology distributor, held the games April 12 at the [University of Advancing Technology](#) in Tempe.

"The Avnet Tech Games provide a great opportunity for students to test their technical and strategy skills by applying what they have learned in the classroom to real-life scenarios," said [Joal Redmond](#), vice president of public relations for Avnet.

The games feature multidisciplinary competitions. During the event, students participated in challenges such as creating a solar-powered water-pumping system, racing to build a computer using refurbished parts, and troubleshooting issues in the Windows 7 operating system.

Students compete in teams, and each winning team member is eligible to receive a scholarship.

Thirty students collected \$1,000 in scholarships.

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