World's first Citizen Science trophy puts science on par with sports at schools

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> Lake Hazel Middle School has effectively mainstreamed citizen science, showing that anyone and everyone can make a difference in the world today through direct scientific engagement.

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Science can be just as fun as sports as recently demonstrated by 250 middle school students who won the first-ever citizen science trophy in Stall Catchers – a game speeding up Alzheimer's research.

STALL CATCHERS

#CrushALZ competition real vessels

Final Day

STALL CATCHERS
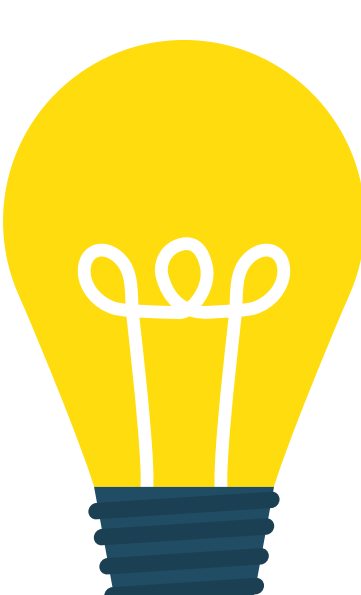
#CrushALZ

Team Competition

April 6 - May 6 2017

#CrushALZ was a historic team competition in Stall Catchers that ran for a month in 2017.

A total of 29 teams got involved. One of them – **Middle School STEM** team from Boise, ID (USA).

In 30 days, Middle School STEM team grew from 113 to over 250 students, making the game **viral in their school**.

Leaders from the start, they crushed their competition and broke records during a **pizza party** on the last days.

The custom-made trophy is now **proudly displayed in the trophy case** at Lake Hazel Middle School.

- Historic achievement in **accelerating research & bringing science into the mainstream**
- **Citizen Science Club** to be established at the school
- Students now driving improvements and **school-focused feature development** in Stall Catchers
- Encouraging a **nation-wide schools competition**

Culture of rewarding citizen science achievements at schools? Incentive to get involved? Fostering better integration between science and community?