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Turner Public Library invites you to sponsor and judge the Chopstick Challenge, a STEM competition for grades 7 through 12, adults, and teams.

TPL is holding a Science/Technology/Engineering/Math competition incorporating wooden chopsticks. As a local business, we invite you to partner with the Library to sponsor a category and help judge the entries. As a sponsor, you “own” the particular category, will determine the prize, and distribute the award at the awards ceremony on January 11th. During the competition period, the Library will have space dedicated to each of sponsors where they can create a display of information about their company, products, and services.

Categories we’d like to see sponsored by local businesses include:

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| ✚ Best CAD Design | ✚ Best Structural Design |
| ✚ Best Hand-Drawn Design | ✚ Best Mechanical Design |
| ✚ Best Execution of a Design | ✚ Best Team Entry |
| ✚ Best Incorporation of Natural Elements | ✚ Best Adult Entry |
| ✚ Best Incorporation of Electricity | ✚ Most Artistic Design |
| ✚ Best Incorporation of Water | ✚ Most Useful Design |
| ✚ Best Incorporation of Metals | ✚ Chopstick Champion |

The possibilities are wide open, and we encourage our sponsors to create a category that will dovetail with their business mission. Most of the sponsors have chosen a \$50.00 prize level, but all awards are welcome. All donations go directly to the winners.

The Chopstick Challenge begins on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, when we will begin distributing packages of 50 chopsticks and rule sheets. Competitors may use the Library’s CAD software, always free of charge, to design their entries, use their own software, or create hand-drawn plans.

All entries are due by Friday, January 5, 2018. Judging will occur between January 6th and January 10th, for your convenience we’ll set two non-library business times for judges to come and rate the entries.

This contest coincides with MSAD 52’s Winter Break, and we’ve reached out to the district for help in promoting the competition.

An awards ceremony, open to the public, will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2018 in the Leavitt Institute, where sponsors will have an opportunity to present category winners with their awards.

Your sponsorship of the Chopstick Challenge is a great way to engage with the Turner community, the students of MSAD 52, and their families. Turner Public Library looks forward to partnering with you on this fun and exciting community event. The Library may be reached at 207-225-2030, or by email at info@turnerpubliclibrary.org. Thank you for your support of Turner Public Library!