Component wiring table

Component	Module Pins / Terminals	Connect to (ESP32 pin / Power rail)	Notes
18650 battery (single cell)	+ / -	Battery holder B+ / B- → TP4056 B+ / B-	Use quality cell + holder.
TP4056 charger (with protection)	B+ B- (battery), IN+ IN- (USB), OUT + - (if present)	Battery B+ / B- to B+/B-; USB micro for charging	Use TP4056 module with protection (DW01). Don't short.
Power- bank boost module / 5V boost	BAT+/BAT- (in) , 5V OUT (USB)	BAT+/- from battery or TP4056 → Boost input; Boost 5V OUT → ESP32 VIN (5V) and 5V rail	If using separate MT3608, set to 5.00V before connecting.
Fuse + switch	Inline on + rail	Place between boost OUT+ and system 5V input	1A slow-blow fuse; rocker ON/OFF recommended.
ESP32 DevKit	VIN (5V), 3V3, GND, GPIOs	VIN → 5V rail ; 3V3 → (optional devices needing 3.3V); GND → common GND	Use VIN/5V pin to accept 5V. The board has onboard 3.3V regulator.
TFT ILI9341 (SPI)	VCC, GND, CS, DC, RST, MOSI, SCK	VCC → 5V rail; GND → GND; CS → GPIO 5 ; DC → GPIO 17 ; RST → GPIO 16 ; MOSI → GPIO 23 ; SCK → GPIO 18	Backlight pin (BL) follow module docs. MOSI/SCK shared with RFID SPI.
MFRC522 RFID	VCC, GND, SDA(SS), SCK, MOSI, MISO, RST	VCC → 3.3V (ESP32 3V3); GND → GND; SDA → GPIO 21 ; SCK → GPIO 18 ; MOSI → GPIO 23 ; MISO → GPIO 19 ; RST → GPIO 22	Must use 3.3V . Do not feed 5V.

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HC-SR04 Ultrasonic	VCC, GND, TRIG, ECHO	VCC → 5V rail ; GND → GND; TRIG → GPIO 13 ; ECHO → voltage divider → GPIO 12	Echo is 5V output; use divider to 3.3V (see table row below).
Echo voltage divider	ECHO (HC-SR04) → divider → ESP32 echo pin	ECHO \rightarrow R_upper (1.8k Ω) \rightarrow node \rightarrow R_lower (3.3kΩ) \rightarrow GND; node \rightarrow GPIO 12	With R_upper=1.8k and R_lower=3.3k \rightarrow ~3.23V from 5V; safe for ESP32.
Active buzzer	+,-	+ → GPIO 25 (via transistor recommended); - → GND	If active buzzer draws >20mA, use an NPN transistor (e.g., 2N2222) with base resistor 1k and connect buzzer to 5V through transistor to GND.
LED (Green)	+ , -	+ → GPIO 26 (via 220Ω resistor); - → GND	GPIO sinks/sources limited — use 220Ω .
LED (Red)	+,-	+ → GPIO 27 (via 220Ω resistor); - → GND	Use resistor for each LED.
LittleFS / SPIFFS (filesystem)		Stored on ESP32 internal flash	No wiring — software only.
Optional AMS1117 3.3V regulator	VIN, GND, VOUT	VIN → 5V rail ; VOUT → 3.3V rail (alternative to ESP32 3V3)	Use if you want a separate 3.3V rail for stability. MFRC522 must use 3.3V.
Common ground	All GNDs	Tie battery negative, TP4056 -, boost -, ESP32 GND, RFID GND, TFT GND, HC-SR04 GND, LED GND, buzzer GND together	Essential — communication fails if not common.

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Optional DC barrel jack	Vin	Connect to boost 5V OUT (or to separate regulated 5V supply)	Allows wall-adapter powering for bench testing.

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/* Smart Incentivized Dustbin - Final Offline Demo
  ESP32 + MFRC522 + HC-SR04 + ILI9341 TFT + LittleFS persistence + QR
  Libraries required: MFRC522, Adafruit_GFX, Adafruit_ILI9341, LittleFS_esp32,
ArduinoJson, grcode
*/
#include <SPI.h>
#include <MFRC522.h>
#include <Adafruit GFX.h>
#include <Adafruit ILI9341.h>
#include <LittleFS.h>
#include <ArduinoJson.h>
#include "qrcode.h"
// ----- PIN DEFINITIONS -----
#define SS PIN 21
                   // MFRC522 SDA
#define RST_PIN 22
                       // MFRC522 RST
#define TRIG PIN 13
#define ECHO PIN 12
                      // through voltage divider to 3.3V
#define TFT CS 5
#define TFT DC 17
#define TFT_RST 16
#define BUZZER PIN 25
#define LED_GREEN 26
#define LED_RED 27
// ----- MODULE OBJECTS -----
MFRC522 mfrc(SS PIN, RST PIN);
Adafruit_ILI9341 tft = Adafruit_ILI9341(TFT_CS, TFT_DC, TFT_RST);
QRCode qrcode;
// ----- STUDENT DB (mock) -----
struct Student {
 String uid;
 String name;
 int credits;
};
Student students[] = {
 {"04A1B2C3", "VIRAJ PATIL", 10},
  {"03D4E5F6", "GARGI PATIL", 8},
 {"027A9B8C", "TANVI PATIL", 12},
 {"09112233", "AMAN KUMAR", 5},
 {"00AA11BB", "PRIYA SINGH", 7}
};
const int STUDENT_COUNT = sizeof(students)/sizeof(students[0]);
const char *DB_FILE = "/credits.json";
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// ----- BIN PARAMETERS -----
const int BIN_HEIGHT_CM = 30; // set distance from sensor to bottom
int lastFillPercent = 0;
const int SIGNIFICANT_THRESHOLD_PERCENT = 8;
// ----- UTILITY: HC-SR04 read -----
long readDistanceCM() {
 digitalWrite(TRIG_PIN, LOW);
 delayMicroseconds(2);
 digitalWrite(TRIG PIN, HIGH);
 delayMicroseconds(10);
 digitalWrite(TRIG_PIN, LOW);
  long duration = pulseIn(ECHO PIN, HIGH, 30000); // 30ms timeout
 if (duration == 0) return -1; // no echo
 long dist = duration * 0.034 / 2;
  return dist;
}
// ----- PERSISTENCE -----
void saveCredits() {
 DynamicJsonDocument doc(1024);
 for (int i=0;i<STUDENT COUNT;i++){</pre>
   doc[students[i].uid] = students[i].credits;
 }
 File f = LittleFS.open(DB FILE, "w");
 if (!f) { Serial.println("Failed open file for write"); return; }
 serializeJson(doc, f);
 f.close();
}
void loadCredits() {
  if (!LittleFS.exists(DB_FILE)) { saveCredits(); return; }
  File f = LittleFS.open(DB_FILE, "r");
  if (!f) { Serial.println("Failed open file for read"); return; }
 DynamicJsonDocument doc(1024);
 deserializeJson(doc, f);
 for (int i=0;i<STUDENT COUNT;i++){</pre>
   if (doc.containsKey(students[i].uid))
     students[i].credits = doc[students[i].uid];
 }
 f.close();
}
// ----- UTIL: find student -----
int findStudentIndex(String uid) {
 uid.toUpperCase();
 for (int i=0;i<STUDENT_COUNT;i++){</pre>
   if (students[i].uid.equalsIgnoreCase(uid)) return i;
  }
  return -1;
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}
// ----- DISPLAY HELPERS -----
void showStartup() {
 tft.fillScreen(ILI9341_BLACK);
 tft.setTextSize(2); tft.setTextColor(ILI9341_CYAN);
 tft.setCursor(10, 20); tft.println("SMART INCENTIVIZED");
 tft.setCursor(10, 50); tft.println("DUSTBIN (DEMO)");
 tft.setTextSize(1); tft.setCursor(10, 90);
 tft.setTextColor(ILI9341 WHITE); tft.println("Tap RFID card to begin...");
}
void showStudentInfo(int idx, int fillPercent) {
 tft.fillScreen(ILI9341 BLACK);
  tft.setTextSize(2); tft.setTextColor(ILI9341_YELLOW);
 tft.setCursor(10,10); tft.print("Hello, ");
 tft.setTextColor(ILI9341 CYAN); tft.print(students[idx].name);
 tft.setTextSize(1); tft.setCursor(10,50); tft.setTextColor(ILI9341_WHITE);
 tft.print("Credits: "); tft.print(students[idx].credits);
 tft.setCursor(10,70); tft.print("Bin Fill: "); tft.print(fillPercent);
tft.print("%");
 tft.setCursor(10,100); tft.setTextColor(ILI9341 GREEN);
  tft.print("Dispose waste to earn points!");
}
void showNotEnough() {
 tft.setCursor(10,120);
 tft.setTextSize(1);
 tft.setTextColor(ILI9341 ORANGE);
 tft.println("Not enough trash detected. No reward.");
}
// Simple animation
void showAnimationFrames() {
 for (int i=0; i<4; i++){
    uint16_t c = (i%2==0) ? ILI9341_GREEN : ILI9341_BLUE;
   tft.fillRect(20 + i*30, 140, 24, 10, c);
   delay(140);
 }
}
// draw QR (small) in center
void drawQRCode(const String &payload) {
  const uint8_t version = 3; // small qr
  uint8_t temp[qrcode_getBufferSize(version)];
  QRCode q;
  qrcode_initText(&q, temp, version, 0, payload.c_str());
  int scale = 4;
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int qrSize = q.size * scale;
  int offX = (tft.width() - qrSize) / 2;
  int offY = 30;
  // background box
 tft.fillRect(offX - 8, offY - 8, qrSize + 16, qrSize + 16, ILI9341_BLACK);
 for (uint8_t y = 0; y < q.size; y++){
   for (uint8_t x = 0; x < q.size; x++){
      if (qrcode_getModule(&q, x, y)) {
       tft.fillRect(offX + x*scale, offY + y*scale, scale, scale, ILI9341_WHITE);
      } else {
       tft.fillRect(offX + x*scale, offY + y*scale, scale, scale, ILI9341_BLACK);
      }
   }
 }
}
// ----- SETUP & LOOP -----
void setup() {
 Serial.begin(115200);
 // init FS
  if(!LittleFS.begin()){ Serial.println("LittleFS mount failed"); }
 // IO
  pinMode(TRIG_PIN, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(ECHO PIN, INPUT);
  pinMode(BUZZER PIN, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(LED GREEN, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(LED RED, OUTPUT);
  digitalWrite(LED_GREEN, LOW); digitalWrite(LED_RED, LOW);
 // TFT
 tft.begin();
 tft.setRotation(1);
  showStartup();
 // RFID
 SPI.begin();
 mfrc.PCD Init();
 // load credits
  loadCredits();
 // initial fill
 long dist = readDistanceCM();
 if (dist <= 0 || dist > BIN_HEIGHT_CM) lastFillPercent = 0;
 else lastFillPercent = constrain(map(dist, 0, BIN_HEIGHT_CM, 100, 0), 0, 100);
}
void loop() {
  // check for card
  if (mfrc.PICC_IsNewCardPresent() && mfrc.PICC_ReadCardSerial()) {
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// build UID hex string
String uid = "";
for (byte i=0;i<mfrc.uid.size;i++){</pre>
  char buf[3]; sprintf(buf, "%02X", mfrc.uid.uidByte[i]);
  uid += String(buf);
}
uid.toUpperCase();
Serial.println("Card UID: " + uid);
int idx = findStudentIndex(uid);
if (idx < 0) {
 tft.fillScreen(ILI9341_BLACK);
  tft.setTextSize(2); tft.setTextColor(ILI9341 RED);
  tft.setCursor(10, 50); tft.println("UNKNOWN CARD");
  tone(BUZZER PIN, 900, 200);
  delay(1200);
  showStartup();
 mfrc.PICC_HaltA();
  return;
}
// show student
digitalWrite(LED_GREEN, HIGH);
showStudentInfo(idx, lastFillPercent);
tone(BUZZER PIN, 1500, 100);
delay(350);
// wait & watch for insertion for 6 seconds
int initialFill = lastFillPercent;
int maxDelta = 0;
unsigned long start = millis();
while (millis() - start < 6000) {</pre>
  long d = readDistanceCM();
  if (d > 0 \&\& d <= BIN_HEIGHT_CM) {
    int now = constrain(map(d, 0, BIN_HEIGHT_CM, 100, 0), 0, 100);
    int delta = now - initialFill;
    if (delta > maxDelta) maxDelta = delta;
    // update small fill display
    tft.fillRect(10,70,200,18,ILI9341 BLACK);
    tft.setCursor(10,70); tft.setTextSize(1); tft.setTextColor(ILI9341_WHITE);
    tft.print("Bin Fill: "); tft.print(now); tft.print("%");
  }
  delay(300);
}
// decide reward
if (maxDelta >= SIGNIFICANT_THRESHOLD_PERCENT) {
  int reward = 1 + (maxDelta / 5); // scale reward
  students[idx].credits += reward;
  saveCredits();
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// feedback: animation + QR + message
      showAnimationFrames();
      String payload = "REWARD|" + students[idx].uid + "|" + String(reward) +
"|TOTAL|" + String(students[idx].credits);
      drawQRCode(payload);
      // text below OR
      tft.setCursor(10, (tft.height()-20));
      tft.setTextSize(1);
      tft.setTextColor(ILI9341 GREEN);
      tft.print("Points +"); tft.print(reward);
      tone(BUZZER_PIN, 2000, 250);
      delay(3500);
    } else {
      showNotEnough();
      tone(BUZZER PIN, 900, 150);
     delay(1400);
   }
   digitalWrite(LED_GREEN, LOW);
   mfrc.PICC_HaltA();
   showStartup();
  }
 // periodic update of fill%
  static unsigned long lastCheck = 0;
  if (millis() - lastCheck > 5000) {
    long d = readDistanceCM();
   if (d > 0 \&\& d <= BIN HEIGHT CM) {
      lastFillPercent = constrain(map(d, 0, BIN_HEIGHT_CM, 100, 0), 0, 100);
      if (lastFillPercent >= 90) digitalWrite(LED_RED, HIGH);
      else digitalWrite(LED_RED, LOW);
   }
   lastCheck = millis();
  }
  delay(20);
}
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