

Barrier Breakers 2026

EVENT SCHEDULE - MARCH 20, 2026 - KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Schedule

Time	Activity	Details
8:00 - 9:30 AM	Check-In & Setup	Breakfast snacks provided. Innovation Gallery teams set up displays. All attendees check in at registration.
9:30 - 10:50 AM	Innovation Gallery / Poster Presentations	Innovation Gallery presentations begin. Judges rotate through team displays. Optional Financial Literacy Test.
11:00 - 11:50 AM	Demo Day / Oral Presentations	Top team from each track presents. 5-minute pitch + 2-minute Q&A. All attendees watch in main room.
12:00 - 1:00 PM	Lunch & Awards	Lunch provided. Awards ceremony and winner announcements.
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Optional Tours & Activities	Campus tours available for those who can stay. Schools needing to leave may depart after awards.
2:00 PM	Event Concludes	All activities end by 2:00 PM.

What to Bring

- Innovation Gallery teams: Your presentation materials (poster, laptop, prototype, etc.)
- Demo Day teams: Your slide deck ready to present (5 minutes max)
- All attendees: Your phone (for Knowledge Track test)
- Optional: Business cards if you have them for networking

Important Notes

- Food provided: Breakfast snacks and lunch included for all attendees
- Parking: Free parking available in designated lots (details sent before event)
- Dress code: Business casual recommended for presenters
- Guests welcome: Family members, teachers, and non-competing students can attend