

Results of the 2026 KidWind Challenge: NE-Kansas City area

Most Artistic Turbine (based on student vote - all divisions):

Prairie Ridge Elementary (USD 232) – Untied Shoelaces

Baldwin High School (USD 348) – 2.5 Neurons

4th-5th Grade (KidWind Generator) – 3 teams

Description	School & Team Name	Total Points/Details
1st Place:	Prairie Ridge Elementary (USD 232) – Untied Shoelaces	93.17
2nd Place:	Pauline South (USD 437) – Kings of the Wind	77.33
3rd Place:	Pauline South (USD 437) – KidWind to the End	71.67
Judges Choice:	Prairie Ridge Elementary (USD 232) – Untied Shoelaces	-
Most improved AM to PM (Bejouled Award):	Pauline South (USD 437) – Kings of the Wind	with a 1.25 Joule improvement
Most improved AM to PM (Peak Percentage):	Pauline South (USD 437) – Kings of the Wind	with a 42.66% improvement
Most improved AM to PM (Zero to Hero Award):	None	from zero to 0 Joules
Percent of teams that improved from AM to PM:		33.33%

OVERALL RESULTS:	Total Score	Knowledge Quiz	Instant Challenge	Turbine Performance (Joules)	Judges Panel
High:	93.17	10.00	8.00	28.86	37.67
Low:	71.67	9.00	5.50	3.22	31.33
Average:	80.72	9.67	6.50	12.09	33.56
Points Possible:	100	10	10	-	40

Combined Output of AM vs PM (Joules):

35.01

32.49

Combined improvement:

-7.20%

Knowledge Quiz Champions

Pauline South (USD 437) – KidWind to the End

Prairie Ridge Elementary (USD 232) – Untied Shoelaces

Instant Challenge Champions

Pauline South (USD 437) – KidWind to the End

6th-8th grade – 7 teams

All Generator divisions

Judges Choice

Pleasant Ridge Middle School (USD 449) – Team 1

Knowledge Quiz Champions

Pleasant Ridge Middle School (USD 449) – Blue Collar Workers

Instant Challenge Champions

Oskaloosa Junior High (USD 341) – Oskaloosa Bears

6th-8th Grade (KidWind Generator) – 7 teams

Description	School & Team Name	Total Points/Details
1st Place:	Pleasant Ridge Middle School (USD 449) – Team 1 "Roller Dogs"	86.67
2nd Place:	Pleasant Ridge Middle School (USD 449) – Blue Collar Workers	86.00
3rd Place:	Fort Scott Middle School (USD 234) – Team Tilly	64.00
Most improved AM to PM (Bejouled Award):	Pleasant Ridge Middle School (USD 449) – Team 1 "Roller Dogs"	with a 11.93 Joule improvement
Most improved AM to PM (Peak Percentage):	Pleasant Ridge Middle School (USD 449) – Team 1 "Roller Dogs"	with a 170.43% improvement
Most improved AM to PM (Zero to Hero Award):	None	from zero to 0 Joules
Percent of teams that improved from AM to PM:		28.57%

OVERALL RESULTS:	Total Score	Knowledge Quiz	Instant Challenge	Turbine Performance (Joules)	Judges Panel
High:	86.67	9.00	9.00	18.93	35.00
Low:	57.50	2.00	3.50	6.72	22.67
Average:	68.00	6.14	6.57	10.77	30.29
Points Possible:	100	10.00	10.00	-	40

Combined Output of AM vs PM (Joules): 60.05 49.02

Combined improvement: -18.37%

9th-12th grade – 10 teams

All Generator divisions

Judges Choice

Baldwin High School (USD 348) – The Ladybugs

Operation Breakthrough: Ignition Lab (other non-school org) – Triple Threat

Knowledge Quiz Champions

Olathe West High School - Green Tech Academy (USD 233) – Green Technology

Instant Challenge Champions

Baldwin High School (USD 348) – The Ladybugs

Olathe West High School - Green Tech Academy (USD 233) – Green Technology

9th-12th Grade (KidWind Generator) – 10 teams

Description	School & Team Name	Total Points/Details
1st Place:	Baldwin High School (USD 348) – The Ladybugs	88.25
2nd Place:	Olathe West High School - Green Tech Academy (USD 233) – Green Technology	88.25
3rd Place:	Shawnee Mission South High School (USD 512) – South Raiders	79.25
Most improved AM to PM (Bejouled Award):	Baldwin High School (USD 348) – The Ladybugs	with a 15.86 Joule improvement
Most improved AM to PM (Peak Percentage):	Washington High School (USD 500) – Blow It Forward Challenge	with a 1070.33% improvement
Most improved AM to PM (Zero to Hero Award):	Baldwin High School (USD 348) – The Ladybugs	from zero to 15.86 Joules
Percent of teams that improved from AM to PM:		80.00%

OVERALL RESULTS:	Total Score	Knowledge Quiz	Instant Challenge	Turbine Performance (Joules)	Judges Panel
High:	88.25	7	9	15.86	35.25
Low:	49.75	1	3.5	0	20.00
Average:	65.40	3.70	6.55	8.10	28.65
Points Possible:	100	10	10	-	40

Combined Output of AM vs PM (Joules): 44.77 78.06
Combined improvement: 74.36%