

FAQ for nominators

I would like to re-use my nomination form from last year. How do I re-submit?

All nominations that were submitted in 2020 (excluding Technology Adopter and Fast Tech nominations) and were not winners have the opportunity to be submitted into the 2021 portal. To find, review, edit and resubmit your 2020 nomination, the nominator must log into their account [here](#). Any non-winning nominations that were submitted in 2020 will be listed under **My Nominations Forms – In Progress** tab. To update, click **Edit**, make any changes necessary then **Save and Finalize** to resubmit into the 2021 portal.

If you have further questions or concerns, please reach out to Nominations Chair, Shanthi Rajaram at shanthi@amazech.com or Mallory Crumb at mallory@techtitans.org.

What categories are available for nominations this year?

We have 15 categories available for nominations. Please note, we have made adjustments to the criteria and qualifications in some of our categories and merged the Technology Adopter Award into the Corporate Innovation/Emerging Company Innovation Awards. Two new categories have also been incorporated. You can find full descriptions and preview the nomination forms on our [website](#).

- Community Hero
- Corporate CEO
- Corporate CIO
- Corporate CTO
- Corporate Innovation
- Emerging Company CEO
- Emerging Company CIO/CTO – *New!*
- Emerging Company Innovation
- Start Up CEO – *New!*
- Technology Advocate
- Technology Inventors
- Tech Titans of the Future – High School
- Tech Titans of the Future - University

What is the difference between the Corporate CIO and Corporate CTO awards? They sound almost exactly alike.

The **CIO** award is for deployment of technology; the **CTO** award is for development of a new technology.

Our company does not yet meet the income requirement for a given award. Can we squeak by and nominate ourselves anyway?

Our income requirements are as below:

Corporate: greater than 200 million revenue

Emerging: 2 – 200 million revenue

Startup & Technology Inventor categories do not have a revenue requirement.

Please ensure that you apply in the appropriate category!

The nomination form is asking for sensitive company information. Who will see my nomination form?

The nominating committee lead, who will review the nomination to be sure the questions are answered, and the necessary documents are attached.

The Gala committee lead and/or Tech Titans employees might review it if there are questions about the nomination.

And, of course, the judges for your award category will see the nomination forms. For the Fast Tech award, Comerica Bank and Moss Adams will review your nomination.

All of the above people are bound by confidentiality agreements.

Who are the judges?

2021 Judges are still being confirmed. The judges may each be responsible for several award categories. Comerica Bank and Moss Adams will judge for the Fast Tech award.

Do I have to interview with a judging panel? What if I can't attend my judging panel date?

If you reach the semi-finalist phase for any of the following categories, you will be required to attend a judging panel interview.

Corporate CIO

Corporate CTO

Corporate Innovation

Emerging Company CEO

Emerging Company CIO/CTO

Emerging Company Innovation

Start Up CEO

Technology Inventors

Tech Titans of the Future - University

Interviews are on Monday, August 30 or Tuesday, August 31, depending on your category. Your nomination form and confirmation email will list the interview date for your award category.

The judging interviews will be held virtually. If you (or a representative) are unable to interview at the requested date and time, you will forfeit the opportunity to be a finalist.

When will I know if I need to attend a required interview?

You will be notified by August 23 if you have been selected as a semi-finalist and will need to attend your interview.

If I'm selected as a finalist, what happens and when?

Finalists will be notified by September 3.

The Gala is Thursday, October 21. At the Gala, the winners for all categories will be announced. **The Gala is mandatory for all category finalists.**

Can we be a Gala sponsor?

We'd love that! Please contact Mallory Crumb at mallory@techtitans.org for more details.

When is the Gala?

Thursday, October 21.