

# Pipetting Challenge

## Rules and Instructions

### How to Play

- There is no limit to the number of people who can participate in the Pipetting Challenge.
- Minimum of ten (10) participants are required for a lab to qualify for the Team Prize.
- Using a 20  $\mu$ L volume pipette and your Artel PCS® Pipette Calibration System, take 10 consecutive data points with no deleted points. If you don't own a PCS, call Artel for details on obtaining a loaner; only data points taken using the PCS are eligible for the competition.
- The data must be taken and dated within the enrollment time frame April 19-25, 2020, and must be signed by the participant and a supervisor or other unrelated party.
- Submit your scores online at <https://www.artel.co/team-scores-submission/> and email a scanned copy of the original paper printout from the PCS or Artel PCS Software™ report. Data submissions must be received electronically by May 15, 2020, in order to be eligible for the competition.
- Limit one entry per person. Artel is not responsible for stolen, lost, late, misdirected, damaged, undeliverable, incomplete, or illegible entries.
- In order to obtain your best results, review the *10 Tips to Improve Your Pipetting Technique* wall poster. Make sure you get plenty of practice.

### Team Prizes

The labs with the three lowest average CV's for all their participants will win Team Prizes.

1. Team Gold \$300 gift card toward lab luncheon
2. Team Silver \$200 gift card toward lab luncheon
3. Team Bronze \$100 gift card toward lab luncheon

### Individual Awards

If your individual CV score falls within Artel's proficiency guidelines you will be awarded a Gold, Silver or Bronze Pipetting Challenge medal according to the following:

Gold:	0.00 – 0.19% CV
Silver:	0.20 – 0.49% CV
Bronze:	0.50 – 1.00% CV

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## Eligibility

Employees of Artel, its affiliates, distributors and advertising, or promotional agencies and immediate family members of such employees are not eligible to win. "Immediate family" includes spouses, parents, brothers, brothers-in-law, sisters, sisters-in-law, children, persons who live in the same household, grandparents, step-parents, step-brothers, half-brothers, step-sisters, half-sisters, step-children and grandchildren. No substitutions are offered, no transfer of the Team Prize to a third party is permitted and no Team Prize or award may be redeemed for cash value. Void where prohibited or restricted by law. Winners are solely responsible for paying all applicable federal, state and local taxes. Artel reserves the right to provide notice to federal, state or local taxing authorities as may be required by law.

## Winner Notification/Releases

All prizes and awards must be claimed by signing and returning an affidavit of eligibility/release in a form to be provided by Artel. If a potential winner is ineligible or fails to return the required documents, the prize or award may, at the sole discretion of Artel, be forfeited and awarded to an alternate winner. Artel reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or modify the contest if fraud or technical failures compromise the integrity of the contest. All winners, by acceptance of a prize or award, agree to release Artel, its affiliates suppliers, distributors and advertising, promotional or judging agencies from any and all liability, claims, or actions of any kind whatsoever for injuries, damages or losses to persons and property, including without limitation, personal injury or death, and claims based on publicity rights, privacy or defamation, which may be sustained in connection with the receipt, ownership or use of the prize or award-related activity. Except where prohibited by law, winners and non-winners must consent to the use of their name, voice, picture, or other likeness without compensation for promotional purposes as determined by Artel. For a list of all contest winners, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope before May 15, 2020 to: Linda Sheehy, Artel, 25 Bradley Drive, Westbrook, ME 04092-2013.

