



CNY Drones is a volunteer run, community-based organization promoting drone-focused, STEM-based, workforce development pathways to the tech education & employment pipeline. Our goal is to encourage exploration of the many opportunities created by New York State's UAV Test Site and Corridor and championed by affiliated organizations and educational institutions.

CNY Drones provides a statewide support mechanism for educators & students involved in drone building, coding, & flying paired with technology exploration opportunities. Since 2016, CNY Drones has continued to reach hundreds of educators and thousands of students via demonstrations, presentations, workshops, mini-challenges, Tech Meets, and competitions.

With U.S. Drone Soccer as a centerpiece program since 2021, CNY Drones has grown the largest U.S. Drone Soccer District in the Country, hosting the first ever National Championship in 2023. Co-Hosted with SUNY Polytechnic Institute's Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Club, CNY Drones directed the 2023 & 2024 U.S. Drone Soccer District II Championships. In 2024, CNY Drones introduced Qualifiers to feed the District Championship for the first time. Over 500 students in New York State have benefited from the introduction of Drone Soccer through 30+ programs supported by CNY Drones technical assistance, training and competitions.

Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Affiliations: www.modelaircraft.org

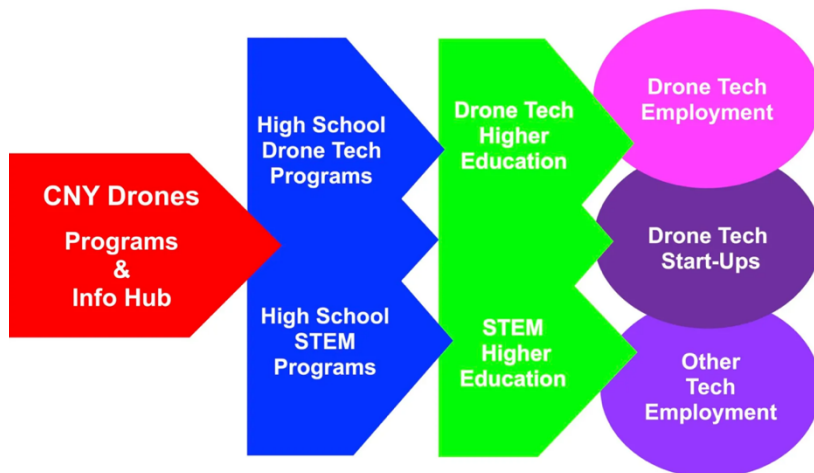
- NYS's 1st Model Aviation Student Club (MASC)
- Mentors to NYS's 1st University Model Aviation Student Club (UMASC) @SUNY Polytechnic Institute

U.S. Drone Soccer Association Affiliation:

- AMA District II Directors serving New York & New Jersey

<https://www.cnydrones.org/us-drone-soccer> / National website: www.usdronesoccer.org

- Social media: @cnydrones



Website: CNYDrones.org

Programs:

<https://www.cnydrones.org/programs>

Events Calendar:

<https://www.cnydrones.org/events>

Sponsorship Info:

<https://www.cnydrones.org/help-us>

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