



*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.

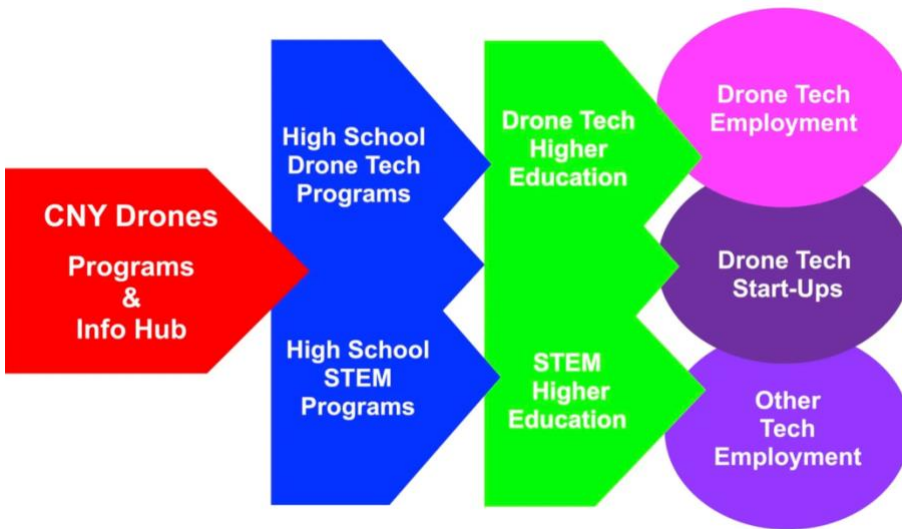
With U.S. Drone Soccer as a centerpiece program since 2021, CNY Drones has grown the largest U.S. Drone Soccer District in the Country. As Co-Host with SUNY Polytechnic Institute's Drone Club (an Academy of Model Aeronautics University Model Aviation Student Club (AMA UMASC)), CNY Drones brought both the 2023 U.S. Drone Soccer (Region) District II and 2023 National Championship to Utica, NY. Teams from 4 Nationwide Districts competed at SUNY Polytechnic Institute. Over 1,000 students in New York State have benefited from the introduction of Drone Soccer through 50+ programs. Future development in New Jersey will double the reach of CNY Drones within the next several years.

Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Affiliations: [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org)

- NYS's 1<sup>st</sup> Model Aviation Student Club (MASC)
- Mentors to NYS's 1<sup>st</sup> University Model Aviation Student Club AKA The Drone Club @SUNY Polytechnic Institute

U.S. Drone Soccer Association Affiliation:

- AMA District II Director serving New York & New Jersey.
- <https://www.cnydrones.org/programs/us-drone-soccer> US Drone Soccer: [www.dronesoccer.us](http://www.dronesoccer.us)



Website: [CNYDrones.org](http://CNYDrones.org)

**Programs:**

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

**Events Calendar:**

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

**Sponsorship Info:**

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

**Social media:** @cnydrones

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