

October 2009

Dear Students and Parents:

It is time once again to prepare for the Science Fair. Even though participation in this annual event is voluntary, we want to encourage interested students to take advantage of this opportunity to exhibit their scientific knowledge.

Please complete and return the form on the next page to your child's homeroom teacher. Your child will then receive the Science Fair Student Handbook from the campus science fair chairperson. **Every student who enters the science fair needs a copy of the Student Handbook.** This book has specific information including suggested topics and rules governing the judging of projects.

Please check with your campuses' science fair chairperson for your Campus Science Fair project due date.

New to Science Fair? Attend our Open House

Thursday, December 10, 2009

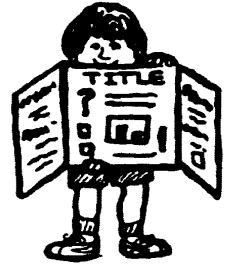
Sockwell Center

6301 Chapel Hill Boulevard

Plano, Texas 75093

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Parents and children new to science fairs are invited to attend an Open House where project boards from past science fairs are displayed. No formal meeting or presentation will be offered. Students and parents may attend any time during the scheduled time and stay as long as needed to gather ideas.

Campus Science Fairs: **All elementary campus fairs must be held some time during January 18 – January 29, 2010.**
Check with your individual school for the date students' Science Fair Projects are due to your campus.

District Science Fair: **Saturday, February 13, 2010**
Renner Middle School
5701 W. Parker Road

Elementary Regional Science Fair: **Wednesday - Thursday, March 10-11, 2010**
Garland ISD Special Events Center

Please return this portion to your homeroom teacher:

Homeroom teacher will give it to the building science fair chairperson so the student books can be distributed.

Name of Student _____ School _____

Grade _____ Teacher's Name _____

_____ My child is interested in participating in the Science Fair and would like additional information about it. Please send the Student Handbook.

Plano ISD needs the help of many judges in order for our Campus and District Science Fairs to be successful and rewarding for our students. If you are a qualified scientist, please indicate your willingness to serve as a **science fair judge**.

_____ Campus Fairs are usually held from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon **or** 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m. on one school day scheduled between January 18 and January 29.

If you are interested in judging the District Science Fair, please send the information below to Mary Swinton, Elementary Curriculum Specialist, 2700 W. 15th Street, Plano, 75075. A judge can participate in **two** Fairs. (Building Fair plus District) The building science fair chairperson will notify you if your help is needed at their building fair. Please indicate your area of interest:

- _____ life science
- _____ earth/space science
- _____ physical science, mathematics, engineering, computer

Which grades would you be able to help judge? (You would not have helped any child in this grade level prepare a project for judging.)

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A science fair judges' meeting will be held from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. January 7, 2010, in the Plano ISD Administration Building Room 311, 2700 W. 15th Street, Plano, TX. All new judges are **encouraged** to attend.

My science background is _____

Child's Name _____

Parent's Name _____

Child's Grade Level _____

Home Phone Number _____

Work Phone Number _____

Home Address with Zip Code _____