

Dear Parents and Students,

The time has come for Webster's **Annual Science Fair and Exhibition!** It will take place April 20 – 22. It is open to all students in the Webster community. As it is every year, the theme is understanding the science behind your project. In other words, why does your project work the way it does?

**The Science Fair is a judged competition.** All entries are judged by the same basic criteria, but the criteria are weighed differently according to the developmental level of the student. Part of the evaluation process is an interview conducted by a judge.

**The Science Exhibition is a non-judged, non-competitive exposition.** These entries are not judged and students are offered the opportunity to discuss their projects one-on-one with an interviewer.

Students may enter either event, or both. They may enter more than one completed project. They may also work alone or with one partner in all categories. There are strict size parameters and rules about glass and liquids, so **please read the attached Project Display Guide carefully.**

The **Resource Guide** is a valuable reference for determining what area of the Science Fair & Exhibition to enter. It also provides detailed guidelines for each type of project. Please review this document before submitting your Participation Form. It is available on the [Webster Elementary website](#), under PTA → "Science Fair & Exhibition".

Parents are encouraged to help their children through their projects, but should keep in mind that the successful project is one in which it is clear that the child led the project, and in doing so, developed a broad base of knowledge on the subject.

Finally, if there are any questions, concerns or comments, feel free to contact any of us. We are all looking forward to another year of boundless enthusiasm and terrific projects!

Sincerely,  
The Science Fair & Exhibition Team

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Science Fair & Exhibition  
Kick-off Assembly**  
Monday, January 13

**Final Submission Date for  
Participation Forms**  
Thursday, February 20

**Turn in Completed Projects**  
Monday, April 20  
(3 – 6 p.m.)

OR  
Tuesday, April 21  
(7:30 – 8:30 a.m.)

**Science Fair Project  
Judging AND  
Science Exhibition Project  
Presentation**  
Tuesday, April 21 (during  
school)

*More details to come on  
the family viewing of  
projects and celebration!*