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Science Day Guides and info - <http://www.ohiosci.org/students> & <http://www.ohiosci.org/educators>

January 16, 2020

Dear Science Teacher:


The 72th Western Reserve District 5 Science Day will be held at The University of Akron, on Saturday, March 20, 2020 in the Student Union.

Please note: We will only be able to accept the first 400 complete project registrations. In 2019, we had 266 projects.

NEW for 2020: Registrations (all forms uploaded, all milestones completed and payment made) **due by 2/14/2020.**

Corrected forms (if needed) must be uploaded *correctly*, by 3/6/2020, or student may be disqualified.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE FOR DISTRICT 5 SCIENCE DAY

1. **The Ohio State Science Day web page have a wealth of information.** Please review resources here:
<http://www.ohiosci.org/educators> (including How to Run a School Science Day!)
and <http://www.ohiosci.org/students> (Student Guide w/ helpful Appendix that explains plans, reports and abstracts.)
2. Students must receive a superior at their local fair in order to participate in the District Science Day. See our web page for at-large fairs if your school doesn't hold a local fair.
3. Online registration opens January 6, 2020. Registration fees may be paid online via, or by check or money order*.
 - a. Teachers should register A.S.A.P, as students must select their teacher. <https://uakron.edu/wrsd/register-teacher>
 - b. Registration & payment* and STEMWizard form upload must be completed by **Friday February 14, 2020.**
<http://uakron.edu/wrsd/register-online.dot>. Follow all steps (STEMWizard Registration, UAkron Registration, Payment).
Payments: \$28.00/individual project or \$40.00/2 Person Team project or \$51.75/3 Person Team project
 - c. **After uploading forms and milestones, verify that all milestones are 1) Green or 2) have an hourglass shape** 
 - d. Absolutely **no** new registrations or projects will be accepted after Thursday, February 20, 2020.
 - e. Frequently login to check forms, milestones and STEMWizard messages regarding forms/items that need corrections. All corrections must be made and uploaded *correctly* by 3/6/2020 or student may be disqualified.
 - f. * Please pay online. If you need to mail a check instead, PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON, WRD5". Mail to Laurel Lohrey +0301, Science Day Registration, The University of Akron, Akron, Ohio 44325-0301. Mailed checks should be postmarked by Friday, February 14th, 2020. Please write student name(s), grade and school on check.
4. In order to provide adequate judging, each school is required to furnish TWO judges for each FIVE student projects, one judge for 1-4 projects. (12 projects? Please send 5 judges: 4 judges for 10 projects, plus 1 more judge for remaining 2 projects)
 - a. The judges can be teachers or area professionals. A school may be disqualified from the Outstanding School Award if their judging quota is not met.
 - b. Judges must register online at the website uakron.edu/wrsd/judges.dot
5. Please take the time to review the "Science Day Standards" document provided by the Ohio Academy of Science available on <http://www.ohiosci.org/educators>. Also, the "Student Guide...", "Teacher Guide..." and "What is NOT allowed at a Project Display" are vital documents available on this page. Please review.
6. For help in planning a local science day, please refer to Part IV of the "Teacher Guide to Science Day" document, available from this page: <http://www.ohiosci.org/educators>
7. Each student participant should be given a copy of the Science Day Standards, Display Permissions Form, and ISEF and District 5 forms. All can be found at the website uakron.edu/wrsd/forms-download.dot. (available soon)

I hope you and your students will be able to participate.

Sincerely,

Ali Dhinojwala, Director, Western Reserve District 5 Science Day