

Twentieth Annual North Jersey Regional Science Fair Friday March 14 to Saturday March 15

This is the final information packet you will receive for the 2003 NJRSF. It contains instructions for what to bring with you to the fair, and directions to the Raritan Valley Community College in North Branch.

If your name is misspelled on the envelope, please notify Diana Vengsarkar or Ken Lyons IMMEDIATELY.

PREPARING YOUR DISPLAY

- 1. Be sure that the display you are planning for the fair follows the display regulations, as per the enclosed "Display and Safety Review Form."
- 2. Bring a 9-foot grounded extension cord if your project requires electricity. You will have ONE outlet available for your use, PROVIDING YOU HAVE NOTIFIED US ON YOUR ENTRY FORM. (If you didn't, and need power, call Ken Lyons right away.)
- 3. Your exhibit should not display your age or grade during judging. We also prohibit display or discussion of awards previously received while judging is in progress. Also: Take note of the previously announced requirement for a 4"x6" blank space in the upper left corner of the center panel of your display board.
- 4. Along with your project, you must bring the following forms to registration in order to enter the fair:
 - Your Abstract. Be sure to bring a copy, even if it has been presubmitted.
 - The Supplemental Registration Form (enclosed).
 - Copies of ALL other ISEF Forms (1A/1B/1C, 2, 3, 4A/B, 5, 6), sponsor checklist (Form 1), and other certification documents, even if you have previously submitted copies to us. These forms should be kept with the project, in a folder or notebook.

If somebody else brings your project for setup on Friday, make sure that they have all of your paperwork.

ON THE DAY OF THE FAIR:

- 1. Report to the registration desk in the gymnasium (Physical Education Bldg) when you arrive on Friday, with your paperwork. See the maps page for parking instructions.
- 2. Set up your project, and have an NJRSF official review your display and fill out the "Safety Certification Sheet" (sample attached). Your project and display MUST be approved by the Safety and Scientific Review Committees before your entry is complete.
- 3. Make careful note of the times (see Schedule) when you must be at your project for judging. YOU CANNOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS IF YOU ARE UNAVAILABLE DURING JUDGING. (Those students who have religious restrictions which prevent Saturday participation should arrange *in advance* for Friday judging interviews.) Only students and judges will be allowed in the display area during judging.
- 4. The final judging for the ISEF trip awards will take place at the Finalist Symposium on Saturday. The finalists will be announced at the beginning of the lunch break. All students should be prepared to deliver a 10-minute oral discussion of their project, using only an overhead projector (8 minutes presentation, 2 minutes for questions). The audience will include judges, other students, parents, and the public. The 10-minute limit will be strictly enforced, so timed rehearsals are recommended.
- 5. Saturday will be a very crowded day, and we recommend that you make plans for fast meals. You have received information on box lunches that can be purchased on a pre-arranged basis. No food service will be open on the RVCC campus during the fair.

If for any reason you will not be exhibiting at the fair, please notify us immediately by calling Ken Lyons (973-360-8663) or Diana Vengsarkar (908-889-0087). Call 973-360-8663 for instructions in the event of inclement weather, or see the web page, njrsf.org.

Your Project Code (fill in after you get to the fair): _____ COMPLETE THIS FORM AND TURN IT IN WHEN YOU ARRIVE FOR REGISTRATION. CHECK WITH YOUR PARENTS IN ANSWERING QUESTION 1. THANK YOU.

1. All students Grades 10-12: The NJRSF awards include three opportunities for summer study or research. The timing of these programs is shown below:

Partners in Science 8 weeks, late June into August Students placed at university or industrial labs.

ECOES (Exploring Career Opportunities in Engineering and Science) Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken: Students participate in a 2-week career exploration and research program, mid-July.

NJIT Summer Academy Students can take up to 6 college credit classes,

during July and early August.

In order to expedite our judging for these awards, we would like to know in advance if there are reasons why you COULD NOT participate in such programs (e.g. job plans, long family vacation, etc.) If you check NO, you will be removed from consideration for these awards.

□ YES, I might be interested in the Partners in Science program if selected. Please consider my project for these awards.

□ NO, I am not interested in these scholarships. Please do not consider my entry for this competition.

□ YES, I might be interested in the ECOES program if selected. Please consider my project for these awards.

□ NO, I am not interested in these scholarships. Please do not consider my entry for this competition.

□ YES, I might be interested in the NJIT Summer Academy program if selected. Please consider my project for these awards.

□ NO, I am not interested in these scholarships. Please do not consider my entry for this competition.

2. All students in Grade 11: The awards include an academic fellowship awarded by NJIT, in Newark, for \$1000 per year for four years of college study. Please indicate here whether you would like to be considered for this award:

□ YES, I might be interested in such a fellowship, if I am selected. □ NO, I am not interested in this fellowship.

3. Please give us the name of your local newspaper, so that we can submit appropriate publicity after the fair:

Name of newspaper: _____

Town of newspaper: _____