

Highlands Elementary Science Fair

Dear Parents,

Highlands will be having a **Science Fair!** We hope that, with your enthusiastic encouragement, your student will participate in the fair by preparing a project. This will be an exciting experience for your child!

Although students receive help at school from teachers, parent support and assistance are essential to your child's success. A general rule of thumb to go by is:

- 5th and 6th graders should be doing almost the entire science project by themselves.
- 2nd to 4th graders should be able to do many parts.
- K to 1st graders will need help for most of the project.

We are confident the following benefits will result from your child's participation in the Science Fair:

- ❖ Reinforcement of grade level science, literacy and math skills
- ❖ Fostering curiosity, awareness, and creativity
- ❖ Increased scientific knowledge
- ❖ Learning research techniques
- ❖ Growth in ability to work independently
- ❖ Having fun with science!

In addition to the opportunity to work on a project, the Science Fair provides students with an increased awareness of science and an opportunity for them to develop positive attitudes about themselves and their work. The science project allows children to use critical thinking and problem solving skills learned in science and in math.

Attached is a Science Fair **Project Selection Form**. Please complete the form with your child and have your child return it to me by the date listed at the top of the form.

Sincerely,

The Science Fair Team

P.S. We are looking for judges this year. Please feel free to contact Mr. Lowry or Mr. Kurtz if you would be willing to help.