

THE DIOCESE OF RICHMOND

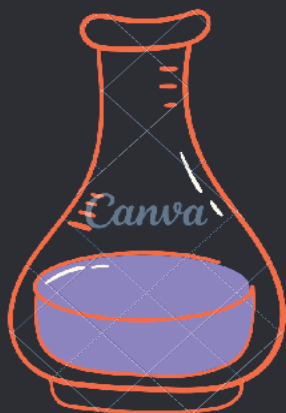
# Science Fair



A science and innovation fair  
for and by students in grades  
3rd through 8th

Hosted by  
Star of the Sea School  
Virginia Beach, VA

April 22, 2024



## **DIOCESAN SCIENCE FAIR RULES**

- There will be three levels of competitions. (3rd/4th Grades), (5th/ 6th Grades), (7th/8th Grades)
- Projects must be constructed by the students entering them. Teachers, other professionals, and technically trained people may only act as advisors.
- Students may enter an Individual Project or a Team Project.
- TEAM PROJECT: A team may consist of up to three members within the age/grade division.
  - o Team projects must adhere to all of the same rules as individual projects. The final work should reflect the coordinated efforts of all team members and will be evaluated using the same rules and judging criteria as in the other categories.
- Projects must be self-supporting and constructed durably. Maximum size of Project is: 30 inches (76 centimeters) deep - 48 inches (722 centimeters) wide - 708 inches (274 centimeters) high (from floor to top of project)
- Each participant must supply his own Underwriter's Laboratory Approved electrical cords, extension cords, and all other equipment/supplies needed to display, present, and describe projects.
- NO TOXIC CHEMICALS OF ANY KIND may be used in the project display. No dangerous or flammable chemicals including caustics and acids may be used in a project display. No open or concealed flames will be allowed. Inert substitutes may be used in place of disallowed solid substances.
- Every student who exhibits a project in the Diocesan Science Fair must be present and remain with their project until dismissed by the Director. Small chairs and books, electronic devices, headsets/earbuds, etc., are allowed for the student's comfort and entertainment during the judging. Snacks and water are allowed.
- No one will be allowed in the judging area during the actual judging except the exhibitors. One adult representative from each school must remain on campus to be available in case of an emergency.
- A student may enter only one project (either an individual project or as a team participant) and this project may be entered in only one category.
- All projects MUST include a scientific notebook containing all data to include a bibliography and a copy of the rules.

### **Registration**

#### **Dates and Information**

**By March 1, 2024**

All students will need to register online using the Google Form that will be sent to your school. You do not need to know the specifics of your projects at this time, but we do need an accurate count of participants.

**By March 29, 2024**

Student Project Information Sheet Must be Completed and Submitted

**April 22, 2024**

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