

**36th ANNUAL  
MINERAL AREA COLLEGE  
SCIENCE FAIR  
FRIDAY, April 5, 2019**

The Science Fair was begun at Mineral Area College 36 years ago under the leadership of several area high school teachers and the MAC science department. The categories and rules were developed at that time. Below are some reminders that may assist you in your planning.

1. Just like last year's Fair, there is not a \$5.00 entry fee. Mineral Area College will pick up the cost of this fee that pays for the science fair T-shirt and certificate for students attending the Fair.
2. The fair was begun by the Math-Science Department which split into two departments many years ago. The fair continues to involve the disciplines of psychology, math, and computer science under the heading of **Science Fair**.
3. Be aware that students will be asked to remove their projects from the fair if the project is determined to be unsafe to the fair participants.
4. Just like last year, the Fair will be held on a **Friday** instead of a Saturday.

**Changes implemented in 2007 fair that will continue this year are below.**

- Sixth Grade Teachers will no longer be restricted to one entry per category.
- Because of safety concerns, experiments involving the use of explosive materials such as potato guns will not be allowed.
- Absolutely no experiments may involve exposure of vertebrate embryos to teratogenic or toxic chemicals.
- If only three students are in a category, they will each receive either a first, second or third place ribbon.
- There will be a hospitality room once again for the sponsoring teachers. We will offer cookies, coffee and a private place to talk with your colleagues.

We hope you are interested in joining us this year for the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Science Fair at Mineral Area College. I have included the rules and forms needed to participate in the Fair along with a **planning calendar**. Please let me know if this helps in any way. There is also a list of **definition of terms** with some ideas for projects. Please copy the forms as needed. The Rules and Forms can also be found on the Science Department's Web Site:

<http://www.mineralarea.edu/faculty/academicDepartments/Science.aspx>

**Exhibitor Application Blanks and T-shirt Design Entry Forms are due March 20, 2019.**

Feel free to call me if you have any questions or there are any problems. Thank you again for taking your time and energy to encourage these students to pursue academic competitions. I know that it is always above and beyond your normal teaching duties and not always rewarded.

Sincerely,



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