

## Science Fair Frequently Asked Questions

### What is the Amesbury PTA Science Fair?

The Science Fair is a celebration of science, encouraging all elementary-aged students and their families to *do* some science and explore what they are curious about.

### When is the Science Fair?

Saturday, March 24, 2012 at Amesbury High School - All young scientists are invited to learn that "It's Not Luck, It's Science!"

- Project judging times (for scientists entered into the Science Fair) - from 9am - 11:30am in the Cafeteria
- Drop-in activities (open to all) - 9am - 1pm in the Gym
- Science Fair Projects open to public - 12 noon in the Cafeteria
- Mad Science show (open to all) - 1pm - 2pm in the Auditorium

### What is the theme of the 2012 Science Fair?

It's Not Luck, It's Science!

### Does my child's project have to reflect the theme?

No. The theme is simply something fun to be reflected in the 2012 Science Fair logo and entertainment. Projects can be on any subject that interests the child(ren)!

### Does my child have to have a project entered into the Science Fair to attend the events?

No. The Drop-in activities and Mad Science show are open to all students and their families.

### How can my child participate in the project part of the Science Fair?

- You can enter a project as an Individual or part of a Team
- You can enter a project as an experiment (using the scientific method) or a demonstration (not using the scientific method, but sharing a passion for something instead)
- You can enter as a competitive participant (your project will go through the judging process), or a non-competitive participant (your project *will not* go through the judging process). All participants will receive a certificate for participating, but only those registered as competitive participants will go through the judging process and be eligible for ribbons.

### What does my child need to do to enter a project in the Science Fair?

Fill out a project proposal and media release form (for parents) online ([www.amesburypta.org/ScienceWeekend](http://www.amesburypta.org/ScienceWeekend)), or fill out the project proposal and media release forms (print them out from this website, or request a paper copy from the school office) and return them to the Mad Scientist box in your school's office.

ALL PROPOSALS ARE DUE ONLINE *or* IN THE SCIENCE FAIR BOXES ON OR BEFORE February 29th!!!

**How can my child display his/her project?**

Display boards will be provided by the PTA for each participant/team and *must* be used to allow for equal space for projects. Display board pick up dates are March 5 at AES from 3 to 4:30pm in the library, and March 7 at Cashman from 6:30 to 8pm in the library.

**Will Science Fair t-shirts be available?**

Yes! We will be selling t-shirts before the Fair at an early bird price of \$8, and for \$10 on the day of the Fair. They are fabulously cool and designed by an AES parent!

**Any more questions? Please contact Sara Graham at [sara@grahamworld.com](mailto:sara@grahamworld.com) or (978) 388-1708.**