



SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT INC.
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MEMO TO: Principal/Science Fair Coordinator

As you are starting the 2011-2012 school year, we thought that you should have a ‘heads-up’ regarding some of the changes occurring for the 55th Science and Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit in 2012. These changes will provide more opportunities for schools to participate in the Science Fair and give more schools direct input in the planning and operation of the entire Science Fair. We are all excited about the new awards and incentives for students, schools, and teachers to participate in this year’s Science Fair, including the CASH awards for schools and teachers!

The 55th Science and Engineering Fair of Metropolitan Detroit will take place from March 13-March 17, 2012 (judging on Wednesday, March 14, 2012), in Michigan Hall at Cobo Center in Detroit. All tri-county students in the 6th -12th grades are invited to participate in the Fair (we again have included 6th grade students!).

A number of ‘color coded’ documents exist in this packet and are identified below.

Color	Description	Action Required
Pink	This cover letter	Review and distribute appropriately.
Yellow	Personalized School Affiliation Agreement/Information Form	Review, update and return by 12/1/11 with payment. Optionally, self-affiliate on web site (preferred)
Yellow	Manual, Blank School Affiliation Agreement/Information Form (if Personalized School Affiliation Agreement not enclosed)	Complete and return by 12/1/11 with payment. Optionally, self affiliate on web site.
Green	What’s Important for the 2012 Science Fair	Review and circulate to all interested Science Teachers
Gold	SEFMD Newsletter – Numerous copies are included based on your past entries to the Science Fair. Master copy also available on the web site.	Distribute to students interested in doing a science fair project.
Bright Yellow	Information for Parents/Students – Numerous copies are included. Master available on web site.	Distribute to students interested in doing a science fair project.
Blue	Facts about the 55 th Science Fair	One or two copies for you – information about the SF
White	Detroit Public Library Flyer – presentation/work session on how to do a Science Fair Project	Distribute to students considering a project. Students must pre-register to attend session
Poster	Special 55th SEFMD poster	Large folder for school, small posters for students. Additional posters available upon request.

The Intel ISEF 2012 Official Rules Book is NOT being included in this mailing this year. All special forms that are required are available at the web site: <http://www.sefmd.org>

We hope you will encourage your students to participate in this year’s Science & Engineering Fair! The Operating Council meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM at the DAPCEP offices. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at (248) 471-9900 or by email at sf2012@sefmd.org.

Sincerely,

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 2011-2012 Fair Co-Directors