

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT INC. P.O. Box 158 • Farmington, Michigan 48332-0158

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MEMO TO: Principal/Science Fair Coordinator

As you are starting the 2014-2015 school year, we thought that you should have a 'heads-up' regarding some of the changes occurring for the 58th Science and Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit in 2015. 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 58th Science and Engineering Fair of Metropolitan Detroit will take place from March 10 -March 13, 2015 (judging on Wednesday, March 11, 2015), in Michigan Hall at Cobo Center in Detroit. All tri-county students in the 6th -12th grades are invited to participate in the Fair.

| Color | Description | Action Required |
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| Pink | This cover letter | Review and distribute appropriately. |
| Yellow | Personalized School Affiliation or Blank Manual School Agreement/Information Form | Review, update and return by 12/1/14 with payment. Optionally, self-affiliate on web site (preferred) for discount. |
| Bright Green | Calendar of events | One copy for you – important dates related to SF |
| Light Green | What's Important for the 2014 Science Fair | Review and circulate to all interested Science Teachers. NEW QUOTAS |
| 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/Teachers – Numerous copies are included. Master available on web site. | Distribute to students interested in doing a science fair project. |
| Blue | Facts about the 58 th Science Fair | One or two copies for you – information about the SF |
| Teal | 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 58th SEFMD poster | Large poster for school. Small posters for student participants. |

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

The Intel ISEF 2015 Official Rules Book is NOT being included in this mailing this year. All special forms that are required are available at the web site: <u>http://www.sefmd.org</u> \rightarrow Forms

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 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at (248) 471-9900 or by email at <u>sf2015@sefmd.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Kitzmann and Timothy A. Fino 2014-2015 Fair Co-Directors