

**G-STEM EXPO 2018-2019 General Rules and Regulations**  
**G-STEM Expo participation is required in all grades (kindergarten-6<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**These rules are consistent with *The International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF)*, a program of Society for *Science & the Public (SSP)*. Our students may choose to participate in regional and state-wide fairs in middle and high school. The G-STEM Expo is designed to prepare our students for upper level participation.**

## **Rules and Regulations**

**Please read all rules and requirements before you start your project. Consult with your science teacher to be sure you understand them. Projects not meeting all rules and regulations will be disqualified from judging; however they may be displayed in the classroom..**

### **General Rules**

1. Each student may submit only one project. The entry must be the work of the student entering the Fair. Projects are to be completed independently, there will be only one student per project.
2. Projects **MUST** be selected from approved grade level list. Topics reflect what the students have learned in class and STEMLab. Teachers have appropriate in-class resources to assist with the research and writing portions of the project. This is not a parent project; the suggested topics are developmentally appropriate for the students.
3. Student Entry Form must be turned into the science teacher by the Entry Form Due Date on page 1. Entry form must include title, description of project, and student and parent signatures.
4. The name or photograph of the student must **NOT** appear on the exhibit backboard, or any page other than the title page of the journal. Each exhibit will be assigned an identification number.
5. A three-sided backdrop (display board) is required as a part of each exhibit (all grade levels).
6. The student is responsible for the set-up of his/her own exhibit. Remember to bring whatever tools are required. The exhibitor is responsible for the dismantling of the project and taking it home at the end of G-STEM EXPO.
7. A Project Data Journal must be included with the student project. See attached guidelines. The contents may vary by grade level.

At Galloway School we will use 3 prong folders so that pages can be deleted and inserted easily.

## **Display Rules**

**SIZE:** Display boards must be freestanding, and must be purchased from any local retailer: Walmart, Office Depot, the grocery store. Maximum height is 48 inches, maximum width is 36 inches, maximum depth is 15 inches.

**OTHER WRITTEN MATERIAL:** A project journal including research, sources, and observations **must** be displayed with the project. See attached guidelines for the journal. Research, computer programs, or other relevant written materials **may** be displayed with the exhibit. The display board should show relevant materials that are not included in the journal.

**ORAL PRESENTATION:** The student should be prepared to give orally a brief explanation of his/her project. The oral presentation is extremely important because it reveals the student's knowledge and understanding of his/her project. See the attached scoring guidelines. This presentation should not exceed 5 minutes. The student should be prepared to answer any questions about the project the judges may ask.

**PROPS:** No props or display materials other than the backdrop or journal are allowed. **The procedures should be documented with photographs, drawings, and charts within the journal.**

## **Judging and Awards**

Each grade level will be judged independent of the others. In lower school (kindergarten, first and second grade) the projects earning the most points from the judges in each class will be awarded a ribbon for excellent achievement. In upper school, a first, second and third place project in each category will be awarded ribbons. A best in show trophy will be awarded to the highest scoring project in Upper School regardless of category. All participants will receive a certificate to recognize their participation in the Expo.