Akin Road Science Fair February 21, 2019

Thank you for showing interest in the Akin Road Science Fair. Choosing to participate is a commitment not only for our students, but also for their families. While this project is student centered and driven, we understand that it takes the support of families to aid in the completion of these projects.

Before you choose to sign up for the science fair, follow the following steps.

- 1. Read through the project requirements. Determine if these seem exciting and doable for you.
- 2. Brainstorm an idea of something that interests you. Think about the amount of time it will take to complete this project. Discuss the necessary materials that you will need to complete it. Many students get frustrated when looking for a science topic. There are many great ideas at websites, such as <u>www.sciencekids.com.nz/projects.html</u>, <u>www.education.com/science-fair</u>, and many more can be found online. There are also many books in the Akin Road Elementary and public libraries.
- 3. Make a timeline of your project. This will ensure that you will be completed by the date of the fair.
- 4. Complete the project submission form and turn it into to the main office.

Once your project submission form is turned in, Mrs. Fedora will review and record your project idea. She will return the form to students before winter break, along with any questions or slight variations that may need to be made. At this point, students will receive a detailed packet with step by step directions to guide your project, project evaluation sheets, and their scientific journal.

**Due to the high level of interest in the Akin Road Science Fair, it is essential that submission are turned in on time. If submissions are not received by Friday, December 14th, students will not be able to participate.

** Please respect that a lot of planning goes into the set-up of the fair, so if at any point through the process of creating a project, you and your child discover you no longer want to participate, <u>I</u> <u>need to be notified</u> as soon as possible.

Please remember that we also ask families to supply:

- **1.** A background display board for the project. These 3-fold displays can be found at craft sores, office supply store, and even the dollar store. We do have some for sale in the main office for \$1.75.
- **2.** An easy to carry table of some sort- that will need to be set-up on Wednesday, February 20 or Thursday, February 21. Camper tables, folding tables, even outdoor plastic type tables will work.

Good Luck, have fun, and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions! ~ Katy Fedora: Science Fair Coordinator kfedora@farmington.k12.mn.us

Individual Science Fair Project Registration Form

Please neatly PRINT the following information below

Student's First and Last name	Grade
Teacher	
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Parent/Guardian Signature to approve of project and acknowledgement of project guidelines:

E-mail of guardian	
Project Typ	<u>be: Choose only one for those in grades K-2</u>
Grades K-2	Grades 3-5
Model	Experiment using the scientific method
Collection	
Demonstration	
Experiment (with or with	thout the scientific method*)
**The scientific method is explained	d on the Akin Road Elementary website under the activities menu, and
then Science Fair Documents.	

Project Title: for experiments, please state the title in the form of a question.

Summarize the plan for your science fair project below. Basic steps and materials that you will use should be included!

Will you need electricity?	YES	NO		

Please return to your CLASSROOM TEACHER by Friday, December 14th.