

Parents and Students

This is important information about the Central Utah STEM Fair at BYU on Tuesday, March 28 and Wednesday, March 29.

Please read this carefully and immediately. There are some time sensitive things you need to take care of promptly.

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Dear Parents:

Congratulations on your son or daughter winning at the Jordan District STEM Fair. There are a few things you need to know concerning the Central Utah STEM fair (CUSF) held at BYU.

- 1. Jordan District will be paying the \$10 entry fee.**
- 2. I will be sending to BYU your CUSF Registration Forms that you filled out for the Jordan District Elementary Science Fair.**

Please make sure you follow all of these instructions for your child to have a great day at the STEM Fair at BYU.

- 1. Please read thoroughly the document from the Central STEM Fair and follow the directions precisely about the online registration. Please make sure you do all the required writing needed for registration by Tuesday, March 1 otherwise you will be disqualified.**

2. Tuesday, March 28—Day before the Fair

Participants need to physically show up for check-in on Tuesday, March 28 between 5:00 and 7:00 pm at the Brigham Young University Conference Center Street, 770 East University Parkway Provo, Utah by bringing in their displays and journals to set them up to make sure they pass all regulations. Make sure all the rules are followed. You must provide transportation for your child on this check-in day. Below are directions to the BYU conference center. (Also a map is enclosed.)

I-15 Southbound to BYU Conference Center

About 45 miles from Salt Lake City, take Exit 269 (University Parkway exit). Turn east (left) at the off-ramp traffic signal. On University Parkway drive east through Orem, and down the hill into Provo. Stay on University Parkway for about 4 miles. After driving past the stadium and the Marriott Center, take a right turn into the parking lot west of the Harman Building and the Adjoining Conference Center.

BYU Conference Center Physical Address
770 East University Parkway
Provo, Utah 84602

3. Wednesday, March 29—Day of the Fair

- A bus will be available for your child (and parents if needed) to ride on Wednesday, March 29 to BYU. The bus will be leaving the **Jordan District Auxiliary Building** at 9:00 am. The Auxiliary Building is located at the southeast corner of the intersection of 7800 South and Redwood Road. The bus will be at the south end of the parking lot that is facing Redwood Road. The bus will be leaving at 9:00 am sharp to make sure it gets to BYU by 10:00 a.m. **However, we need your child at the Jordan District Auxiliary parking lot by 8:30 so we can make chaperone arrangements.**

- You will be asked in a later email if your child is going to ride the bus. Everyone has to answer “yes” or “no” so we can have an accurate count to order the buses. You can change your mind if you want, but email me the change.
- If your child is going to ride the bus, the attached bus permission slip must be brought with your child to the bus signed by you stating that your child has permission to ride the bus.
- Teachers that are going to the fair will be assigned to chaperone the students all day.
- If you drive your child to the fair, you must be there by 10:00 a.m. for judging. **If you take your child to the fair, you will be responsible for him/her all day.**
- Fair participants will stay with their displays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. during the judging.
- Parents can stay all day at BYU, but they are not invited into the display area until the judging is done at 12:00 noon.
- Lunch is provided to the fair participants only, but not to parents.
- There will be student activities and the fair will be open to the public during lunch until 2:00 pm. There will be a door prize drawing at 1:30.
- Students will remove their projects and take them to their bus or cars at 2:00 pm.
- A little after 2:00 p.m. the Jordan District busses will be heading back with the students who chose to ride the bus back to the Jordan District Auxiliary Building where the students loaded the bus that morning. We should reach there by about 3:00.
- Please make sure someone is there to pick up your child.
- We will stay with all the students at the Auxiliary Building until all students are picked up by their parents.
- The Elementary CUSF Awards Ceremony will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the Orem High School auditorium, 175 S 400 E, Orem on Friday, March 31. Projects that will be winning an award will be posted online on their website, <http://cusef.byu.edu>, at 3:00pm on Wednesday. Specific awards and student names will not be listed. It will be a list of winning project numbers.
- **For more information on the CUSF Fair, go to the website, <http://cusef.byu.edu/faq>**

Between now and the time of the CUSEF Fair your child can make his/her display board more competitive, make the journal more complete, and brush up on the interview.

I really appreciate you as parents supporting your child in this endeavor. They learn so much by following the scientific process with an experiment they have created on their own. I truly hope that this experience will go beyond the fair that it will be a memory for a lifetime. If you have the time, come down to the Regional Fair at BYU to see the projects the 5th and 6th grade students have explored. And, don't forget your cameras. Again, please call me if you have any questions. I will work with you on any problem you may have. My job is to see that everyone is happy, safe, and having a great time.

Thank you,

Paul Nance