



Dear Teachers, Students, and Parents:

Thank you for your interest in Tate's Tenth Regional Science Fair. This year *the event takes place on April 25-27, 2010*. The Regional Science Fair is an outstanding opportunity for elementary school students to prepare an experiment and display their results. Every student participating in our fair will have the opportunity to dialog with at least three local scientists and gain meaningful scientific knowledge about their project and ideas for possible extensions of their discoveries. All third, fourth, and fifth graders in the East Tennessee area are welcome to participate.

You will find all the registration materials for the fair on our website at [www.tatesschool.com](http://www.tatesschool.com). You may download and print copies of all the forms and information provided on the website. Teachers and parents: please make sure you read all information carefully with your students.

**All entries must be received at Tate's School on Monday, March 15, 2010 by 3:30 p.m. and should include the following items:**

1. Entry Form & Signature Page (with *3 signatures*)
2. \$10 registration fee (*Make checks out to TSOD Foundation*)
3. Copy of abstract (250 words maximum)

Thank you for participating in our fair! We hope this will be a memorable experience for each child.

Sincerely,

*Teri Ferguson*

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Science Fair Director

## **TATE'S REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR**

### **RULES**

1. Each contestant may enter only one exhibit. Team projects may be displayed and judged for Special Awards. Team projects will not be judged in the Science Fair Division Awards, that includes the Grand Prize Awards. Each school may enter a maximum of 30 projects.
2. Projects must be age-appropriate and must not put the student in danger of injury to self or others. No project will be accepted that causes harm to any living creature.
3. A 250 word (*maximum*) abstract must be adhered to the display board.
4. Displays should not exceed the basic dimensions of 48 inches wide by 18 inches deep by 36 inches high. These are **MAXIMUM** dimensions. Students are able to enter smaller displays.
5. Anything, which could be hazardous, is **PROHIBITED** as a part of the display at the science fair. This includes, but is not limited to: disease causing organisms; open flames; sharp objects; flammable substances; dangerous chemicals or drugs (including household cleaners); live creatures or plants; preserved vertebrate animals or parts (including embryos or teeth); and operation of Class III or IV lasers.
6. All non-hazardous liquids must be contained and covered to eliminate any possibility of spilling.
7. Participants are encouraged to use photos on their display board or report; however, the student's face should not be visible.
8. Neither the student's name, nor the school's name should be visible anywhere on the display board, logbook, or in the report.