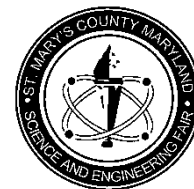


**ST. MARY'S COUNTY  
SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR BOARD**  
P.O. BOX 258, California, Maryland 20619  
Mr. Mark Ragland, President



November 2023

Dear Business Partner,

The St. Mary's County Science Fair and Engineering Fair Board would like to invite you to support the upcoming 64th St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair. Last year's Science Fair was exciting and quite successful, with over 60 student projects entered and 50 awards given, totaling over \$4,000.00 in value. Thirty-nine local Science Fair winners were selected to compete at the Prince George's Area Regional Science Fair. The support of our business partners played an integral role in encouraging and enabling students to excel through the various Science Fair levels.

The 2023 St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair will be held **in person** on Saturday, January 28, 2023. The award ceremony will be that same afternoon. As always, the Science Fair is open to the public, non-public and home-schooled students of St. Mary's County. The science fair is the perfect venue for these students to share their talents in experimental methodologies, engineering design and testing, and other scientific aspects of their projects. The goal of the Science Fair is to stimulate an interest in Science, Mathematics and Engineering to provide an extraordinary learning experience for our youth with the long-term goal of producing scientists, engineers, mathematicians, and computer scientists. The local Science Fair has a long history of success in these endeavors. With your help, the Science Fair Board looks forward to encouraging many more students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Please consider supporting the 2023 St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair. While some support is received from St. Mary's County Public Schools, the overall support comes primarily via donations from businesses organizations like yours. Your support provides awards, plaques, and certificates. It also helps us cover the registration fees for students to participate in the Prince George's Regional Fair and supports any entrants that advance to the Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair.

The St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair Board is excited to invite you to visit our website, <https://sites.google.com/smcps.org/sm-sef/home>, it contains links to General Information; Science and Engineering Categories; and Judging Information. There are various ways for your organization to partner with ours, including sponsoring awards and scholarships, various advertising opportunities and volunteering as board members, judges, and project mentors. Please take a few minutes to peruse the website. Please contact Mark Ragland, SMCSEF President, at [smcsefpresident@protonmail.com](mailto:smcsefpresident@protonmail.com) for additional information. The deadline for submitting advertising materials is Friday, January 13, 2023. Please send advertisement artwork and questions directly to Samantha Nelson at [smnelson@smcps.org](mailto:smnelson@smcps.org).

The St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair Board is an all-volunteer, non-profit, IRS 501 (c) (3) corporation classified as a public charity, funded solely by community contributions. All contributions are directly applied to promoting an interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics among our community members. Contributions are fully tax deductible under IRS code section 170. [26-3405570](tel:26-3405570)

The St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair Board is grateful for the support it has received from local businesses, organizations and individuals in past years and looks forward to establishing new partnerships as we strive to promote scientific methods and literacy to an ever-growing population of our county's youth.

Sincerely,

Mark Ragland, President  
St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair Board  
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**Response Form**

**I/My organization would like to support the 2023 St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair.**

<b>Name:</b>			
<b>Organization:</b>			
<b>Address:</b>			
<b>Phone:</b>		<b>E-mail:</b>	

**I/My organization will provide:**

**Special Awards and Scholarships**

*Please include names of special award judges on page 2 of this form.*

<b>Special Awards</b>	<i>Please indicate category, amount and type of award (check, savings bond, book, etc.)</i>

<b>Scholarship</b>	<i>Please indicate title, criteria, conditions, amount, etc. If you will be providing judges for this scholarship, please provide contact information on page 2 of this form.</i>

**Advertising**

<b>Advertising Space in Program</b>	<i>Advertising provides for operating expenses and student participation in the Regional Fair and Regeneron ISEF. Circle your choice below: Please send print-ready ad electronically to <a href="mailto:smnelson@smcps.org">smnelson@smcps.org</a>.</i>
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<b>Premier Space (Back Cover, Inside Front Cover, Inside Back Cover – First come basis.)</b>	<b>\$500</b>	
<b>Full page</b>	<b>\$400</b>	
<b>1/2 page</b>	<b>\$200</b>	
<b>1/4 page</b>	<b>\$100</b>	
<b>1/8 page</b>	<b>\$50</b>	
<b>Friend of the Science And Engineering Fair</b>	<b>\$15</b>	

<b>Table Space</b>	<i>Tables will be available for unmanned displays during the Science Fair. This may include backboards, signage, and/or brochures. Select your choice below.</i>		
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<b>Full table (6 feet min.)</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Shared table</b>	<b>\$50</b>
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**Sponsorship Packages**

*Sponsorship packages allow for a variety of types of exposure for companies at reduced overall costs. These sponsors will have special listing in the Science and Engineering Fair Program.*

<b>Platinum</b>	<b>Premium Page Ad, Category Award Fund Sponsorship*, Full Table</b>	<b>\$1200</b>
<b>Gold</b>	<b>Full Page Ad, Category Award Fund Sponsorship*</b>	<b>\$1000</b>
<b>Silver</b>	<b>1/2 Page Ad, Category Award Fund Sponsorship*</b>	<b>\$800</b>
<b>Bronze</b>	<b>1/8 Page Ad, Category Fund Award Sponsorship*</b>	<b>\$600</b>

*\*Category Award Fund Sponsorship will provide funds for monetary awards for first place winners in each category. If ample funds are not available the donations will be either be held until the following year or used to defray student participation expenses for the Prince George's Area Science Fair or International Science and Engineering Fair.*

**Please make checks payable to St. Mary's County Science Fair Board. Send your contribution and this form to the address at the top of this form. The St. Mary's County Science and Engineering Fair Board is an all volunteer, non-profit, IRS 501 (c) (3) corporation classified as a public charity, funded solely by community contributions. All contributions are directly applied to promoting an interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics among our community members. Contributions are fully tax deductible under IRS code section 170. [26-3405570](tel:26-3405570)**

