Entries are now being accepted for the North Central West Virginia Science, Energy and Engineering Fair to be held Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26 & 27, 2016 at Fairmont State University. This event is sponsored by the College of Science and Technology at Fairmont State University.

Students in grades 6-12 are eligible to enter projects in the following categories: Behavioral and Social Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Space Science, Engineering and Computer Science, Physics and Mathematical Sciences. Team projects are encouraged for the engineering category, and individual projects are encouraged for all other categories. The fair will have two divisions; a Junior Division (grades 6 - 8) and a Senior Division (grades 9-12).

The judges will be looking for creative ability, scientific thought and projects that promote scientific thought and engineering goals, thoroughness, skill and clarity. In the Junior Division, the judges will also be looking for dramatic value and personal involvement.

Although we are not officially a member of the International Science Fair Organization, we generally follow their rules about project size and use of animals. **We do not allow any animals or cultures to be a part of the project display.** Students are reminded that Science and Engineering Fair projects should include laboratory, field, or theoretical research.

Awards will be presented to the winners in each category in both Junior and Senior Divisions. Whether or not an award is given for a particular category is at the discretion of the judges.

**The deadline for registration is February 22, 2016.**

Registration and additional information about our fair - including set-up times and parking information - may be obtained from our office or from our website. From the home page at [www.fairmontstate.edu](http://www.fairmontstate.edu), click on “Academics” then “College of Science and Technology.” Next, in the upper navigation bar, select “Outreach” then “North Central West Virginia Regional Math, Science, and Energy Fair”. Or visit: [http://www.fairmontstate.edu/collegeofscitech/outreach/regional-math-science-and-energy-fair](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/collegeofscitech/outreach/regional-math-science-and-energy-fair).

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