

# Parkland School District Young Scientist Science Fair Registration Form (1A)



The Young Scientist Science Fair (YSSF) is a science competition for 6th graders from Parkland School District. Students will choose a science topic, research about it, and prepare a powerpoint presentation which they will present on the first Saturday of June (June 1, 2019). Students will be mentored by selective Parkland High School students who are advanced in science and have won awards in science competitions. Our goal is to not only to nurture students' curiosity and creativity through science research, but also to build valuable communication and presentation skills. This competition will also provide students with the experience they need to participate in future science fairs that Parkland offers such as the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science and the Lehigh and Delaware Valley Science Fairs. Awards will be given to the winners. The first 40 students who register in each school will be selected for the competition. Please note: registration fee is \$20.

### The rules of the competition are as follows:

- Students must work individually
- Students may NOT conduct an experiment; they will only choose a topic for research
- Students are required to bring their **chrome books** to all meeting sessions
- Students must abide by the due dates for each segment of the project:
  - Registration form due by October 30, 2018
  - Topic selection form submitted by **December 14, 2018**
  - Research notes shared via google drive by February 28, 2019
  - Powerpoint presentation shared by April 30, 2019
- Students will present their topics in front of selected judges and peers on June 1, 2019
- Students must keep their presentations under 10 minutes and at minimum of 5 minutes

## Parent Pick-up/Drop-off Policy:

Meetings will be held on alternate Thursdays from January through May at Springhouse Middle School (flex room) where the students will learn important information regarding their projects. Meetings will be held from 3:00 - 4:10 pm. Activity bus will be available both from OMS to SMS and from SMS to home. If the student choses not to use the activity bus, parents are responsible for dropping off and picking up their children from Springhouse Middle School before and after these meetings.

#### **Important Dates to Remember:**

Parents: We will have an parent orientation meeting on November 7th at 7:00pm in Springhouse Middle School Auditorium; (YSSF students are welcome to attend as well)

YSSF Meeting Date (all Thursdays)	In case of snow, alternate date:
January 10 <sup>th</sup>	January 17 <sup>th</sup>
January 24 <sup>th</sup>	January 31st
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	February 14 <sup>th</sup>
February 21st	February 28 <sup>th</sup>
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	March 14 <sup>th</sup>
March 21st	March 28 <sup>th</sup>
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	April 11 <sup>th</sup>
April 18 <sup>th</sup>	April 25 <sup>th</sup>

Please note: It is mandatory to attend at least one meeting per month!

If students are unable to attend a meeting, they are responsible for checking in with me for any work missed and must check their email for information on upcoming due dates or meetings.

**Presentation practice sessions will take place in May** (dates TBD). Students will sign up for at least one session closer to May. During these sessions, students will give their presentation to YSSF mentors and receive suggestions and comments to improve before the competition date.

**June 1st**, **2019** will be the YSSF competition date! The tentative schedule for the day is as follows:

12:45-1:00	Students Arrive
1:00-3:00	Student Presentations and Optional Parent Conference to Discuss Science Fair Opportunities in Parkland
3:00-3:30	Snacks for Students and Parents
3:30-5:00	Awards Ceremony

If you have any questions, please contact:

Sriyaa Suresh (PHS senior, Founder and President of YSSF) at sriyaasuresh.yssf@gmail.com

Mrs. Kelly Rosario (Parkland Curriculum Director) at <a href="mailto:rosariok@parklandsd.org">rosariok@parklandsd.org</a>



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	permission to participate in the Young Scientist
Science Fair. I have also read the	Parent Pick-up/Drop-off policy and agree to abide by it.
I have read and understood the ab	bove statements:
Parent Signature	Date
Parent Email	Phone number
* Email will be used for communicating to parents regard	rding YSSF; Phone number will only be used in case of an emergency.
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Please submit the completed form to your science teacher by October 30, 2018. Please keep the top of the form for your reference.