

NE Indiana Regional Fair Survey

Dear Teacher: **You can help us make the Regional Fair even better!** Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and return to the Regional Fair Director at the address below. You may send it back with your name if you would like to talk to us about your ideas/feedback or send it anonymously. All survey results will be used: 1) to improve the Regional Fair, 2) to provide us with information about how schools conduct their Fairs and where we can provide more assistance, and 3) for assessment of the educational value and impact of this event. Thank you for your feedback !

Mail to: Carol Dostal at IPFW, 2101 East Coliseum Blvd. ET 243, Fort Wayne IN 46805 or fax 260.481.5734

IMPORTANT GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL'S PARTICIPATION:

When do you typically hold your school/local Fair? _____ Do you have a Fair Coordinator? Yes ___ No ___

How many students participate in your school fair? _____ How many grades? _____

For purposes of tracking diversity data please estimate how many students participate in your fair that are:

___ Boys ___ Girls ___ African American ___ Asian ___ Caucasian ___ Hispanic ___ Other

How many teachers work with students in some capacity at your school on the school fair? _____

When did you "affiliate" with the Fair? _____

(Affiliation means that you become a member of the Fair contact list so that you can receive information about the Regional Fair.)

How did you know to affiliate with the Regional Fair? Check all that apply:

___ I knew from previous years ___ Someone told me at school ___ I saw the card sent to my principal
___ Someone from the Fair staff told me in an email ___ Read it on the Regional Fair website ___ Other

How do junior division students complete the Eligibility Questionnaire located on the Regional Fair website:

___ At school in a class ___ At home on their own ___ I complete it for my students based on the "Yes/No" answers they give me regarding their project

___ Other Please Explain: _____

Who registered the students from your school who advanced to the Regional Fair?

___ Individual teacher (s) whose student (s) advanced ___ School Fair Coordinator ___ Other (list)

This year we held one Orientation at IPFW to help teachers understand the Fair process **for junior and senior division**. Please check the information below that applies to you.

___ I attended the Orientation in September

___ I did not know about the Orientation

___ I would like to attend future Orientations

___ I probably would not attend an Orientation

Strongly
Agree

Both Somewhat

Strongly
Disagree

Place an X on the line indicating your degree of agreement.

1. Attending the Orientation was helpful (skip if didn't attend)

2. I always read the Email Updates from Fair staff.

3. I used the letter for parents sent by the Regional Fair.

4. I shared the Fair schedule & display rules with parents.

5. Please rank your preferred method for Fair information: ___ Website ___ Email Information ___ Mailed information
Other suggestions you have for school support: _____

THE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH PROCESS

6. Please rate on a 10 point scale the knowledge gain or skills used by students working on the Fair project in each of the categories below:

Improved or learned more about:	Small gain in knowledge/skill	Large gain in knowledge/skill
The reasons a Jr. project requires paperwork	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Understanding appropriate research procedures	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Planning and preparing for the experiment	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Writing a research plan	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Learning the engineering process (if applicable)	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Explaining results in the interview with judges	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Using charts and graphs (if applicable) on display	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	
Presentation and answering questions at judging	1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10	

EVENT PROCEDURE FEEDBACK

(You may need to ask parents about some of these questions. We welcome their feedback.)

	Strongly Agree	Both Somewhat	Strongly Disagree
7. The option for Friday set-up should be continued.	☐	☐	☐
8. Students knew what to expect at the Regional Fair.	☐	☐	☐
9. The new "break" in the schedule should be continued.	☐	☐	☐
10. The new sticker system to release students was preferred to the previous method of releasing grades.	☐	☐	☐
11. The judging session was a positive experience.	☐	☐	☐
12. Schools would like to send more representatives.	☐	☐	☐

Comment on any statements above or improvements you would like to see at the Fair especially for #8 if you felt you or your students were not fully informed:

Thank you for your work with your school's science and engineering fair!

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