February, 2010

Dear Science Fair Judge:

Thank you for agreeing to be a judge on February 27 at the 2010 Beal Bank Dallas Regional Science & Engineering Fair at Centennial Hall, Fair Park.

Enclosed is a guide to judging with the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) criteria and an example scoring form. Please familiarize yourself with these prior to the Fair. You may also view PowerPoint slides for the judging orientation at drsef.org, but please ensure you are present for Judging Orientation as we will form judge groups at that time.

Bring the judge guide to the fair for reference and to help identify yourself as a judge so we may direct you to convenient parking, the judges’ area, etc. Enter Fair Park through Gate 2 or 3, park, and then enter Centennial Hall through the East side. Further driving/DART directions to Fair Park are at drsef.org.

Business attire and comfortable shoes are recommended – you will be doing a lot of walking and standing. We will provide pencils, but you should bring anything else you need (clipboard, calculator, etc.).

Your participation is essential to the fair’s success. Please call us on (214) 768-2495 or email scifair@physics.smu.edu if you have any questions or if you will be unable to judge.

Sincerely,

Prof. Simon Dalley
Fair President

Prof. Fred Olness
Fair Vice-President

Prof. Randall Scalise
Fair Vice-President

Southern Methodist University
7:30 a.m.  Judge Check-in opens. Please find your Science Category table and enjoy some breakfast.

8:00 a.m.  Judging Orientation. Explanations & judge groups completed.

9 a.m.  Round One of Judging begins.
Round One Interviews with exhibiting students. (All judges participate.)

12:00 p.m.  Students dismissed. All Round One judging results must have been submitted. Captains continue on immediately with Round Two (please don’t break for lunch!).

1:00 p.m.  All Round Two judging results must be submitted.
All judges may leave the fair after completion of Round Two.

Lunch  Judges may enjoy a complimentary lunch after completing all their judging duties.

5:00–6:30 p.m.  Fair open to the public. Grand prize announcement