



## 2009-10 LASF Happy Valley Science Fair – General Info

### **LASF Science Fair Date and Time:**

The 2009-10 LASF Happy Valley Science Fair will be held on Thursday, February 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Happy Valley School multi-purpose room. No entry forms are required in order to participate.

### **Choosing Your Project:**

Your project may be an experiment, a report, or an invention. Think of something you have always wanted to invent or something you want to know more about. Think of a test or a method of getting information that may help answer your question. The goal of the Science Fair is to foster interest and understanding of science and the scientific process. Everyone is a winner!

### **Resources:**

Many resources are available to help with ideas on possible topics for your science project. The school and Lafayette Library have many books regarding science fair projects. **Mrs. Small, science teacher extraordinaire, will be available in the science lab to help students with project ideas and questions after school January 18-22 from 2:30 – 4:00.**

Students may also get ideas online through the LASF website at <http://www.lasf.org/links/sciencefair.html#suggestions>. It has great links for ideas and help for projects and inventions. It also has all the science fair board order forms and final instructions for bringing your project to school. Our school library website also has great science fair project idea links at <http://www.lafsd.k12.ca.us/people/Inoone/>

### **Important Dates and Activities:**

- **January 23 - Display Board Order deadline.** Blue colored cardboard display boards may be ordered through the school until this date for only \$5.00. Order forms for the display boards are attached and also available at the school office. Display boards provide a great way for students to present their project. After this deadline you can find boards at Michaels craft supply and local office supply stores.
- **First week in February - Bring Home Display Boards**  
Boards will be delivered to classrooms at a date to be announced. They will be delivered as soon as they are received from the vendor.
- **February 18 - LASF Science Fair Day!**  
**7:45 - 8:30 am** - Bring projects to multipurpose room. Allow extra time or arrive early to avoid drop-off parking congestion.  
**8:30 - 2:30 pm** - Students discuss their project with a Guest Scientist (time to be scheduled by each teacher.)  
**6:30 - 8:30 pm** - The LASF Family Science Fair Event - Bring the **whole family** to view science fair projects and participate in other educational and FUN activities. Please do not take the science fair projects home this night. Projects will remain set up on Friday morning so that teachers can take students through to view and discuss.
- **February 19 - Take Down Projects Between 12 noon – 2:00 pm**  
The Science Fair projects need to be cleared by 2:30 on Friday for spring play rehearsals. This year we will be asking grades 3-5 to voluntarily pick up their projects to store by their classroom so that we may clear the multi on a timely basis. We ask parents of younger grades to come early and pick up their student's project. Please, if you pick up your child normally at a traffic turnaround, consider coming early to park and collect projects **away** from the traffic pickup process. If you have issues with project pickup and storage; you may arrange alternatives with teachers, but no projects can be left at the Multi. Projects left inside the multi-purpose room at 2:30 will be discarded because there is no room for storage. Play practice commences at 2:30 pm so the room must be cleared out. Thank you!!
- **Unleash your inner Scientist!** We are looking for guest scientists and volunteers for set-up and take-down. Volunteer sign-ups are on the other side of the Board Order form. Join in the fun!