

# Alamo Regional Science & Engineering Fair

## March 4-6, 2012 Schedule

Congratulations on entering the Alamo Regional Science & Engineering Fair! Judges from the scientific, medical, and engineering fields are looking forward to it. This is a special science education event; NOT a casual recreation event. Dress attire for the students is "Business Attire" for judging and ceremony days. Students will meet many distinguished individuals.

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When: Sunday - Tuesday March 4-6, 2012

Location: St. Mary's University, One Camino Santa Maria St. (Bill Greehey Arena).  
Enter from Culebra Street, Gate A. The website has a picture of the Arena:  
[www.stmarytx.edu/athletic/index.php?site=greehey](http://www.stmarytx.edu/athletic/index.php?site=greehey). Our website: [www.arase.org](http://www.arase.org)  
has a campus map.

### 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sunday, March 4, 2012 (Registration and Set-Up):

- Students MUST have SRC Clearance PRIOR to setting-up and for the Display & Safety (D & S) Inspection. The sooner they clear, the sooner they can leave. If they are not cleared upon registration, they NEED to be PATIENT while getting clearance.
- Students need their science project report (folder, binder, or just stapled) for D&S Inspection. Refer to the Sample report. They need the Stamped Official Abstract with ARASE's SRC stamp at the display. It will be in the student's registration envelope if they have cleared SRC.
- They also need Form (1C) and Form (7) if applicable on the display. Photograph/image credits should be displayed. Photography/video releases (consent) forms signed by human participants are required for visual images of humans (other than that of the student researcher) displayed as part of the project. Students should have a copy of all of their forms in case asked for by a judge or other ARASE official.

### 8:15 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 5, 2012(Judging Day)

- Dress Attire: Business. This is NOT a casual recreational event. Students are NOT to wear shorts, torn jeans, muscle Tee-shirts or flip-flops. They do not have to dress expensively; but presentable since they are being interviewed by distinguished judges and the media.
- 7:30 a.m. Doors open. Students are to enter through the STUDENT'S DOOR. Follow the sign. Parents and teachers may accompany students.
- 8:15 a.m. Students are to be by project. Special Award judges will get a head start.
- 8:15 a.m. Parents and teachers EXIT the exhibit floor. DO NOT attempt to stay. This delays judging. Only judges, staff, guests, and media are authorized to be on the floor or in the area during judging and before student dismissal!!!
- NOTE: The use of cell phones (calls, texting, etc.) is PROHIBITED during judging. This is rude, especially IF a judge is interviewing the student or a student nearby. This may work against your student.
- Advise students, especially middle school students NOT to wander away from the project during judging. Horseplay is not permitted. It will disqualify them!!! It delays judging and dismissal if the students are not at the project!
- Dismissal will start at 12:30 p.m. by categories, NOT all at one time. Sometimes judges take a little longer hoping to break a tie. PLEASE be patient and understandable. It could be your student or child who is being interviewed again.

- Students are to leave behind their science fair report when dismissed. Judges return to the displays after dismissal for final decisions. Also, the Blue Team Judges will select the Grand Prizes Winners after the students are dismissed.
- Students are to take with them their laptop and small stool or small chair (lawn chairs are not permitted) and any personal belongings when dismissed.
- Public viewing will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday and will continue on Tuesday (1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.).

### Tuesday, March 6, 2012 (Public Viewing and Awards Ceremony)

- Public Viewing will continue on Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Exhibit Floor doors will close at 6:00 p.m. to prepare for the Awards Ceremony.
- Dress Attire (students): BUSINESS. This is NOT a casual recreational event. Students are not to wear shorts, torn jeans, muscle Tee-shirts or flip-flops. They do not have wear anything expensive. Many Special Award organization presenters and the military like a photo of the student recipient with their organization representatives for their newsletter or magazine.
- Students and teachers will gather outside the Bill Greehey Arena BEFORE 6:15 p.m. Parents and friends proceed to the arena's side seating. Floor seating is reserved for students and teachers. They enter the arena in a procession at 6:20 p.m.
- BE AWARE: Many organizations recognize students with special awards. The ceremony will end around 9:30 p.m. Students should eat before the ceremony. Please be PATIENT! This is the students' special moment. It is difficult for us to say "no" to organizations interested in presenting awards to deserving students.
- The Fair Directors' Award and Honorable Mention Awards will be placed at the exhibits during the ceremony. CHECK for more awards at the exhibits.
- TEAR DOWN is AFTER the Awards Ceremony due to security reasons! NOT EARLIER!!! Parents and teachers, PLEASE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DO THIS.
- NOTE: ARASE and St. Mary's University are NOT responsible for any items left behind. We NOT store or deliver items. Teachers, parents AND students, please make arrangements to have the project picked up by someone if you cannot be there for Tear Down.
- Again, tear down is right AFTER the ceremony on Tuesday evening and not during the Awards Ceremony!
- High School 2012 Intel ISEF Finalists are to meet with Mrs. Rose Perez immediately after the Awards Ceremony in the arena by the stage. Teachers, parents and Intel ISEF Finalists are to seat in the first two front rows for important information. There will be a MANADATORY meeting on Wednesday, March 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Dr. Burton E. Grossman International Conference Center at the University of Incarnate Word.
- ExxonMobil Texas Science & Engineering Fair (EMTSEF) Qualifiers will receive an invitation to the state fair with instructions during the ceremony. ARASE Qualifier's deadline to register on-line is Tuesday, March 13, 2012.

**Congratulations to all (teachers, students, and parents) and best wishes!!!**

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