



## Austin Energy Regional Science Festival 2010 ELEMENTARY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. **WE ARE A HOME SCHOOL. CAN WE PARTICIPATE?**

Yes. Please contact the Science Fair Director, Russell Cowen, for details:  
russell.cowen@austinenergy.com, (512) 972-9532

### 2. **MY SCHOOL DOES NOT HAVE A SCIENCE FAIR. CAN I STILL PARTICIPATE IN THE REGIONAL COMPETITION?**

Yes. Please contact the Science Fair Director, Russell Cowen, for details:  
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### 3. **HOW DO I PAY FOR REGISTRATION?**

Check with your school first, sometimes schools pay the fees.

- **We can take credit cards over the phone:** Call Imelda Soza at (512) 972-9542.
- **We accept checks:** Make check payable to Austin Energy Regional Science Festival 2010 and send them with the schools paperwork.
- **We also accept PO's.** Call Imelda Soza at (512) 972-9542.

### 4. **MUST THE STUDENTS BE PRESENT DURING CHECK-IN/SETUP?**

No. A teacher, parent, friend, etc. may bring the project to check it in and set it up.

### 5. **MUST STUDENTS BE PRESENT DURING JUDGING?**

No. It is not required, but talking to the student helps the judge evaluate the project more thoroughly.

### 6. **MUST STUDENTS BE PRESENT AT THE AWARDS CEREMONY?**

No. A student's awards can be mailed to the school.

### 7. **DO ELEMENTARY STUDENTS ADVANCE TO HIGHER COMPETITIONS?**

No. The regional fair is the highest level for elementary.

### 8. **WHERE/WHEN WILL RESULTS BE POSTED?**

Results will be announced at the awards ceremony and posted on our website at [www.sciencefest.austinenergy.com](http://www.sciencefest.austinenergy.com) in the week following the competition.

### 9. **WHEN IS THE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE?**

Our deadline will be February 12, 2010 5:00 p.m. but check with your school to make sure they have not set their own deadline or already registered you.

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**10. WHO SHOULD I CONTACT ABOUT PROBLEMS WITH ONLINE REGISTRATION?**

Send a short e-mail describing the error or problem to [webmaster@sciencefest.org](mailto:webmaster@sciencefest.org).

It will be addressed immediately.

**11. MY CHILD HAS SPECIAL NEEDS OR NEEDS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS.  
WHO DO I TALK TO?**

When you register your child online, please fill in the special requests box with a description of the request. We will do our best to accommodate your request or contact you if more special arrangements are needed.