



## Science Fair Alumni Mentorship Program Registration Information for students in grades 9-12

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### **Attention Future Science Fair Participants!**

Are you hoping to present a project at a 2010 Regional Science Fair? Do you have some ideas but need help finding equipment, special materials, or an expert to answer your questions? Then the Science Fair Alumni Mentorship Program (AMP) may be for you! The 2010 program is open to all students in BC. It will be limited to a maximum of 15 projects in each region based on the quality of the project proposal.

### **About the Program**

AMP is a program of the Science Fair Foundation of BC that aims to provide students in grades 9-12 with the resources they need to investigate scientific questions of interest to them. AMP matches most successful student applicants with two mentors. First, a former Canada-Wide Science Fair participant with post-secondary science experience will provide support as you develop your project and prepare it for judging. Depending on your level of project development, you may also be matched with a university or industry expert in your field of interest. This individual will answer your science and technology-related questions and may also assist by providing technical advice or access to journal articles and laboratory equipment.

### **How to apply**

All interested students should complete and submit the online application form (available at <http://www.sciencefairs.ca/mentorship.html>) and fax or mail in the signature page no later than **Friday, October 17, 2009**. While you do not have to formulate a specific hypothesis in order to complete the application, you should have a general idea of the question that your project will address. Please keep in mind that your mentors will not tell you what to study or what experiments to do – you must plan these yourself! However, if you know that you will need a specific type of assistance (eg. access to a sterile biosafety cabinet), be sure to include this on the application form. Please note that a maximum of two applicants per school will be accepted, based on the quality of the project proposal and the availability of mentors who can assist you.

### **Dates to remember**

August 2009	Application form available online
October 17, 2009	Student application form due
October 24, 2009	Successful applicants notified
November 2009	Program Orientation and Meet-your-Mentor dinner
February 6, 2010	Project progress report due
Jan-March 2010	School and District Science Fairs (if applicable)
March-April 2010	Regional Science Fairs
May 22, 2010	Student feedback form due

### **Further Information**

Questions? Suggestions? Please visit our website at <http://www.sciencefairs.ca/mentorship.html> or email us at [alumni@sciencefairs.ca](mailto:alumni@sciencefairs.ca).