Dear Parents,

Science, technology and engineering are basic skills expected by employers. Science fairs involve students in the practices of science and engineering, requiring them to apply those skills to a topic of interest to them. <u>Doing science</u> is key to understanding science.

Our school is holding a science fair on January 29th-31st and all students are encouraged to participate. For students in grades 4-6th participation is a required part of the science curriculum.

Please note that the bulk of the work will be done at home. Students will be given project guidelines and timelines at school, and teachers will check in with them periodically. However, much of the work will be self-directed. Parents are encouraged to offer emotional support and reminders, but to allow children to do the projects by themselves.

We encourage you to visit the web resource below with valuable information designed especially for parents like you.

- **https://www.sciencebuddies.org/parent-resources**

Don't hesitate to call or email with any questions. Thank you very much in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pieper

<u>IMPORTANT DATES:</u>

1. January 29th: Projects to school.
2. January 30th: Science Fair Judging
3. January 31st: Science Fair Open House 6-7:30 PM (Chemistry Students present "Amazing Acts of Chemistry at 7 PM)

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<u>Regional Science Fair</u>

ALL students may choose to participate in the Regional Science Fair <u>February 20th-22nd, 2019</u> at the OJC student center. To register for AVRSEF fair <u>two</u> things must be completed by the student.

- **Step 1: On-line registration**, which begins on December 4th and the deadline is <u>Wednesday February 13, 2019.</u>

- **Step 2: Signed ISEF Paperwork** no later than Friday, February 15th.
   - **9th – 12th Graders:** https://student.societyforscience.org/intel-isef-forms
   - **K- 8th Graders**: The CSEF Forms have been updated and are easier to use this link http://www.csef.colostate.edu/Guidelines/Requirements_for_All_Projects.pdf

Participation entry fee for regional science fair <u>per student</u> will be **$20.00.**

For more information: http://www.ojc.edu/about/newsevents/ojcevents/sciencefair/