Roosevelt/Alliance Elementary
Science Fair is Coming February 24, 2011!

It's time for the Roosevelt/Alliance Science Fair! This totally optional one-day event is Thursday, February 24, 2011. Applications are due to the office by Friday, January 28, 2011. The projects will be displayed throughout the day with an evening reception honoring all participants. All will be evaluated by the Fair committee, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. McMahon, Mrs. Tedlie, and Mrs. Ruthven. All participants will be honored with a ribbon.

The Roosevelt/Alliance Science Fair is a great occasion for nurturing your child's interest in science. Through science, our children may shape our world and change lives. Let's be sure our elementary school children become aware of the many areas of science!

Encouragement and guidance in the scientific method is important to all school children. You might augment your child's learning progress with suggestions, for instance - topics you think will specially interest him or her. You may want to give attention to resources provided through some websites that specifically address Science Fair projects.

Often parents/guardians ask, "How much should I help, or guide, my child's project?" Because each child is unique, the answer to this question varies. The child's age and grade, the complexity of the chosen project, including the form of its presentation, are all factors to consider in determining how much participation or guidance is appropriate. Your help should assist the student. When a finished project is submitted and the young "scientist" sees his/her own enterprise and ideas realized in it, it is an indication of some success for the child, and for the educational process at work.

Students will be asked to drop off their projects to the gym on the morning of February 24, and to take their projects home at the end of the evening reception at 7:00 p.m. There is no available space to store the projects.

All projects are required to be on a standard three-sided display board. Minimum display board size is 36x48 inch. Any color can be used. These boards are available at Target, Joann’s and Michaels for approx. $5.00 (or less with coupons). Display boards will be available for those with financial hardships; please contact Mr. Johnson to make confidential arrangements.

If interested in participating, students must submit the attached application. We need a count of participants by January 28. It is not required to select their project topic at this time. All science fair documentation can be found in the office and will be given to the students when they return their application form. The documentation includes the required entry form (which must be attached to each project) and the Handbook and Rules packet (which contains a description of categories, types of projects, rules, and cancellation form).

We cannot run the Science Fair without volunteers. Volunteers are needed to help bring classes down throughout the day for viewing. The volunteers are needed to help in 1-2 hour shifts throughout the day. Please see the application sheet to volunteer.