

# CONDUCT A SCHOOL-BASED FAIR

See [zFairs-Inventors](#) for Registration and Additional Information

## INVENTION

### Inventors Fair Outline & Links

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**Plan a School-based fair by January 10th at the very latest.** This will allow time for advancing students to meet Regional requirements.

Pick your date(s) and get permission from school administration to run your fair. Time required will depend on total student participation.

Maximum: 1 day to set up,  
1 day for fair and time to break down.

 [School Fair Tips.docx](#)

**FEES: Invention Fair Payment Due Oct. 30, 2024**

Each Elementary, Middle, or High Division for each Fair will require a separate registration fee.

A Division includes affiliation fee & 6 student entries.  
One additional student entry for every 15 participants above the initial 15.

**Plan for Regional Registration deadline January 16th, 2025**

Team Projects are limited to a maximum of three (3) members. Each participant counts as one of your allotted members with a maximum of 16 from each school.

**Launching Your Program**


 [Helpful Tools and Examples](#)

**Free Lesson Plans and more:  
Use Florida Gulf Coast Affiliation to join.**

 [TEACHERS Join inhub.THF FREE.pptx](#)

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**Inventors Fair Class, Club, or Group Arrangement.**

 [2024-2025 Logbooks](#) select logbooks and review program launch resources

 [Inventor's Instruction Manual.docx](#)

Create a Program Schedule to conclude ahead of the School Fair.

See the helpful Six Month Planning Calendar Template.

Parenteral, teacher or approved mentor supervision required.

Choice #1

 [\(3a\)School Project Signatures Templat...](#)

Choice #2

 [\(3b\)Project Timeline Charting.docx](#)

 [Inventors School Calendar 2024-2025....](#)

<p><b>Student Inventors Fair paperwork &amp; approvals</b></p> <p>Students must receive Teacher &amp; Parent approval <u>BEFORE</u> building/testing.  <b>NO Backdating. This is not necessary and inappropriate.</b></p> <p><b>STEM Co-registered entries must comply with ISEF rules &amp; regulations. Safety is a priority.</b></p>	
<p><b>Getting Invention Fair Judges</b></p> <p>Do this as soon as you know your fair date(s).</p> <p>Judging Rubric and Criteria</p>	<p>Invention Fair Rubric &amp; DISCLAIMER  <a href="#">W Inventor's Instruction Manual.docx</a> pg 15</p> <p><a href="#">Judging RUBRIC Review.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="#">Rubric Scoring Instructions.pdf</a></p>
<p><b>Day of School Fair (by or before January 10th)</b></p> <p><b>Consider having an in-person fair with judging. Invention Judging Pool Options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Provides students practice in communicating their Invention Process &amp; Impact with the judges.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tri Fold/Backboard/Posters Restrictions to consider:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-No Staples</li> <li>-Boards and projects should not include brand names of products</li> <li>-All photos, graphs, pictures, and tables need a caption. For example, "created by the inventor" or an official citation from where they got them.</li> <li>-36 inch board limit to height</li> <li>-See template.</li> </ul> <p><b>Optional: encourage students to list one primary invention category</b></p>	<p><a href="#">W School Fair Tips.docx</a></p> <p>Need Invention Fair Ribbons?  -order them early</p> <p>Virtual Display Board options- may serve as a "virtual only" presentation aid</p> <p>Physical Display Board Template</p>
<p><b>School Fair Awards</b></p> <p>How will you notify/celebrate the winners of your fair?</p> <p><b>Options:</b></p>	

	<p>-An awards ceremony (after school with the options of parent attendance).          -Prize patrol style (during school)</p>	
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">W H E R E</p>	<p><b>Regional Fair Dates</b></p> <p><b>By Jan. 16th</b> - Selected students create an account and upload documents/videos into zFairs</p> <p><b>January 17th - 24th</b> -<b>First round virtual judging</b></p> <p><b>January 25th</b> - <i>Students advancing will be notified.</i></p> <p><b>January 31st</b> - Set up at FGCU TBA (not at Alico Alico in 2025)</p> <p><b>February 1st</b> - <b>Second round: in-person judging</b></p> <p><b>TBD Awards Program</b></p>	<p>Register at: <a href="https://fl-rif.zfairs.com">https://fl-rif.zfairs.com</a> .          Review the .pdf to properly prepare files.</p> <p>■ <b>How to Register a Student Inventor.pdf</b></p> <p>Use a parent/guardian or personal email account to receive direct notifications and emails from zFairs.</p> <p>■ <b>DISCLAIMER .pdf</b></p> <p>■ <b>Rules &amp; Regulations.pdf</b></p> <p>■ <b>Code of Conduct.pdf</b></p> <p>Teachers are eligible to serve as judges or general volunteers. See zFairs site.</p>
	<p><b>Resources</b></p> <p>Edison Fairs Website- <a href="https://edisonfairs.org">https://edisonfairs.org</a>          Florida STATE Invention Convention (at USF, Tampa) April 11th -12th          The Henry Ford National Invention Convention June 4th - 6th  <a href="#">US Nationals   Invention Convention Worldwide</a>          Other</p>	