



## Frequently Asked Questions:

### 1) What are the deadlines?

March 4th: STEM and art project registration

March 5th - 15th: Asynchronous judging

### 2) Who can participate in the competition?

Students in grades 6-12 from DC public schools, public charter schools, private and parochial schools, and home schools may participate in the competition.

### 3) What types of projects are allowed?

Students can submit one project (STEM or art) with a maximum of three students per project. Students can submit a project already completed earlier in the school year. Project categories are listed on the next page.

### 4) How do I register a project?

There are two required Google Forms: (1) registration form and (2) media release. Both will be available on [www.DC4STEM.org](http://www.DC4STEM.org) on January 1st. The registration form requires a title, summary, project files, and student demographic information (e.g., name(s), grade level(s), and Universal Student Identifier or USI).

### 5) If I didn't participate or place in my school's science fair, can I participate in the DC4STEM fair?

Yes, participation in school-based fairs or other similar competitions is not required.

### 6) Is there a maximum number of projects schools can submit?

No, all eligible students are invited to submit a project.

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# DC STEM FAIR & COMPETITION

MARCH 16, 2024

in partnership with



District of Columbia students, grades 6-12, are invited to register STEM and art projects by February 26th.

[www.DC4STEM.org](http://www.DC4STEM.org)



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# STEM and Art Project Categories

The DC4STEM Fair and Competition will use the following (a) ISEF categories within 8 broad categories for STEM projects and (b) 4 categories for art projects. Judging rubrics are available at DC4STEM.org.

## Biology

Animal Sciences (ANIM)  
Biomedical and Health Sciences (BMED)  
Computational Biology and Bioinformatics (CBIO)  
Cellular and Molecular Biology (CELL)  
Microbiology (MCRO)  
Plant Sciences (PLNT)  
Translational Medical Science (TMED)

## Chemistry

Biochemistry (BCHM)  
Chemistry (CHEM)  
Materials Science (MATS)

## Computer Science

Computational Biology and Bioinformatics (CBIO)  
Embedded Systems (EBED)  
Robotics and Intelligent Machines (ROBO)  
Systems Software (SOFT)

## Behavioral & Social

Behavioral and Social Sciences (BEHA)

## Earth & Environmental

Earth and Environmental Sciences (EAEV)

## Engineering

Biomedical Engineering (ENBM)  
Energy: Sustainable Materials and Design (EGSD)  
Engineering Technology: Statics and Dynamics (ETSD)  
Environmental Engineering (ENEV)

## Mathematics

Mathematics (MATH)

## Physics & Space

Physics and Astronomy (PHYS)

## Language Arts

500 words or less (not including the main title or bibliography):  
Essay, Poetry, Short story

## Music

5 minutes or less:  
Instrumental, Vocal,  
Technology/Production

## Performing Arts

5 minutes or less:  
Dance, Set design, Theater

## Visual arts

Cinematic arts (5 minutes or less), Drawing, Coding-based art, Graphic design, Painting