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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to offer the Glamorgan School Science Fair for another year. The Science Fair is open to all Grade 5 to 9 students. This year, both Glamorgan School and CYSF are planning an in-school science fair. However, there are online components to both fairs.

Our first meeting will be **in person on Thursday, November 30 at 12:30 pm**. This meeting will be for **all interested students**. During the meeting, we will explain about the Glamorgan Science Fair, the meeting schedules and how to come up with a project. We will then follow the schedule for meetings below.

Like last year, **all students who are new** to the Glamorgan School Science Fair or any interested students, must attend online meetings (see schedule below). These meetings will be held after school from 4:30 to 5:30pm. The purpose of these meetings is to help guide students through the process of creating a project and understanding the scientific method. These meetings will also explain the required assignments. **All Science Fair students** must also complete scheduled assignments where they will work through the scientific method and receive feedback from coordinators. In the new year, we will be offering some lunch hour meetings to provide additional support. These meetings will be optional and will be announced later.

Each child will need an adult, or Champion, to support them with their project. Here is some other important information you need as a Champion of your child's project. Please review these points with your child.

- Students will be expected to attend all meetings.
- In order to prepare for the science fair, weekly assignments must be completed by scheduled deadlines.
- Failure to attend meetings or complete assignments demonstrates a lack of commitment to the science fair. Should a student miss three, unexcused meetings or assignments they will not be able to continue with the science fair.
- Coordinators will gladly meet with students to discuss individual needs but we require students to take the initiative to meet with the coordinators rather than receiving communication from parents.
- As a Champion, you should be supporting your child with their project by answering questions, helping them meet deadlines, and giving constructive feedback. The project is intended to be the students own idea and work.
- The goal for your child is to be an active participant in the Glamorgan Science Fair. All participants will be honored for finishing a completed science fair project.
- We are only able to send a limited number of projects to the CYSF. Rules for judging the Glamorgan Science Fair will be given at a later date.

- We encourage students to focus on completing an amazing science fair project rather than focus on going to CYSF. As a school we are limited to sending from five to a maximum of ten projects to CYSF from Grades 5 to 9.

We will be sharing this information to the students at school. As a Champion, we ask you to talk with your child about joining the Science Fair and the significant time investment it will require. We also ask that you help them get online to the first online meeting. We will use the Google Meet code: glamorgansf. We ask that all students be muted with their cameras off.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. We ask that you send all email to Mr. Rip at jmrip@cbe.ab.ca.

Scientifically yours,

Mr. Rip and Mr. Klaassen

Glamorgan School Science Fair: Meeting Schedule 2023-24

Week	<u>New Science Fair Students as well as other interested students</u> Virtual meeting: 4:30 to 5:30 pm	<u>Optional support sessions</u> In-person meeting: 12:30 to 1:10 pm
1	November 30 – Introductory meeting, <u>all students required, in person at lunch</u>	
3	December 4	N/A
4	December 11	N/A
5	December 18	N/A
7	January 16 (Note: Tues.)	January 18
8	January 22	January 25
9	January 29	February 1
10	February 5	February 8
11	February 12	February 14 (Note: Wed.)
12	February 20 (Note: Wed.)	N/A
13	February 29: Glamorgan School Science Fair	
April 11-13	Calgary Youth Science Fair (for those selected to continue)	

meetings subject to change, please contact a coordinator if you will miss or be late for a scheduled meeting