



## Mercer Science and Engineering Club

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### Mercer Science and Engineering Fair Sponsorship

The annual Mercer Science and Engineering Fair is the primary opportunity for Mercer County students to participate in a regional science competition. The fair takes place every March at Rider University, and draws over 1,500 Mercer County students, parents, and industry leaders each year. The fair is held in cooperation with Science Service, Inc., which administers the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF). Participants in the week-long event are separated into three divisions; an Elementary division for grades three to five, a Junior division for grades six through eight, and a Senior division for grades nine to twelve. This year's competitors will have an opportunity to win over 100 awards and special prizes.

The Grand Award, presented to a student in the senior division, includes an all expense paid trip to ISEF. In past years our Grand Award Winners have received a variety of prizes and acknowledgements, for example the 2006 grand award winner, Rohith Chandrasekar, received the First Place Award from the American Vacuum Society for his project, *Design of An Aerodynamically-Enhanced Plasma for Synthesis of Nanoparticles*, in Phoenix, AZ. The 2004 grand award winner, Laura Wong, was awarded a trip to the London International Youth Science Forum by the U.S. Army. She also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the ISEF Computer Science division with her project, *Fault Tolerant Behavior-Based Robots*.

David Sharples of East Windsor was named one of "The Final Forty" in the 2004 Discovery Channel Young Scientist Challenge (DCYSC) competition with his project: *A Study of Resonance*. David, a 7th grader at Chapin School in Princeton, NJ, spent a week in Washington, D.C. for the final competition. Elizabeth Rory Nachbar is a 2005 semi-finalist with her project: *Can You Power a Light Bulb with Other Fruits Besides a Potato, and When the Energy Runs Out, Can You Recharge It with Solar Energy?*

At the fair, representatives of concerned businesses, academic institutions, and government agencies serve as judges, and student interviewers for the competition. Many students feel that the opportunity to interact with the adults who are shaping today's world is the most valuable part of this experience. We hope it helps shape their future and the future they will build for their children.

An event of this magnitude requires the support from those in the community who are interested in promoting science and engineering as part of a student's education, and as a future career path.

In recent years, thanks to support from corporate sponsors in the community, the Science Fair enjoyed considerable success. Annual operating expenses for the event are approximately \$15,000. Sponsors are acknowledged on our website and all publicity and print materials generated in association with the Science Fair.

We will provide recognition to companies that offer support by publishing their name and level of support in the Award Ceremony program. Our website has additional information regarding the fair and sponsorship. The Mercer Science and Engineering Club is a non-profit corporation based in New Jersey. The club is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Our Tax ID is 20-1346005. We are a registered New Jersey charitable organization. We hope you are able to join us in supporting the Mercer Science and Engineering Fair.

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