September 11, 2018

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your son or daughter will be participating in the 2018 science fair. I will help walk them through each step of this process. Our first step will be deciding on a science fair topic. The students received a science fair topic proposal sheet during class today. This sheet is due in class on September 18th.

Please take a few minutes to go over their topic of choice with them. They can pick within reason. I do not encourage projects that have human test subjects because the student would be responsible for getting a doctor to sign off on and observe the experiment. Each test subject would also have to fill out a waiver. Test subjects under eighteen would have also have a parent sign a waiver for their participation. Each experiment should include 25 to 30 trials.

There are strict rules for projects involving animals. A Veterinarian would have to sign off and supervise at a minimum. The other rules depends upon what animal is involved and the actual experiment being performed.

**The biggest thing is that the students need to pick a project for which they do not know the outcome.** They may NOT begin the experiment phase until all research has been completed and I have given the ok.

I will be sending home a list of due dates soon. The entire project will be due on November 5th. The school fair will be November 5th through November 9th.

Thank you,

Christi Scarbrough