



Opportunities to Support the Chicago Public Schools 70th Annual Student STEM Exhibition

The 70th Annual Chicago Public Schools STEM Exhibition will take place at the Illinois Institute of Technology during the week of March 18-22, 2020. The following areas of opportunity are available for your support. Please feel free to call Ethelene Hare, the Funds Solicitor at 312-842-6223 to discuss your interest. Your support of the Chicago Public Schools Student Science Fair, Inc. will be greatly appreciated. All contributions are included in our City STEM Exhibition Program Book and placed on the Contributor's Board displayed at the Museum of Science and Industry.

Middle School Science Clubs

\$1,500 each

Become a sponsor of one to twenty exciting after-school STEM clubs! Science teachers of students in grades 6-8 will have an opportunity to engage students in action-packed activities as well as to inspire and prepare our middle school youth for developing a STEM research project.

Parent Workshops

\$3,000

Provide funding to conduct STEM Exhibition workshops for CPS parents. A copy of *Science Project Guide for Parents: Knowing Your Role* and other necessary information will be distributed at these workshops. These materials will enable parents to offer support as students learn to organize and prioritize their preparation for STEM Exhibition participation.

Mini and Maxi-Research Grant Programs

\$3,000

Provide funds so that Mini grants (\$100/semester) and Maxi-grants (\$500/year) can be made available to students requiring materials not available at their school in order to continue their STEM research efforts.

College Scholarships

\$1,000 and up

Join a long standing tradition - over 2,000 students have received tuition assistance since 1956. Scholarships are awarded to students on the basis of participation in the Chicago Public Schools Student Science Fair, scholastic achievement, future goals and personal interviews. Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 or more are encouraged and named for the donor.

Special Awards

\$50 and up

Offer one or more special awards. Each year corporations and donors provide a wealth of prizes that include cash awards, gift certificates and memberships as well as science and math supplies and/or equipment that will serve to recognize the efforts of students and encourage future STEM Exhibition participation.

Yearbook

\$5,000

Provide funding to print 1,000 copies of a post-fair publication that lists all of the student winners, final contributions, and all special awards. Supporters of the STEM Exhibition are listed prominently, based on level of giving.

International Science and Engineering Fair

\$20,000

Sponsor students to the *International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF)*. Each year four students represent the Chicago Public Schools at this prestigious event. Registration fees, travel, hotel accommodations, and meals are among the expenses for participation. CPS students have earned several top grand awards!

Graphic Art Services

\$4,000

Provide funds to enhance ISEF display boards. Students participating in the International Science and Engineering Fair require revised display boards and the services of a professional graphic designer to insure a quality presentation.

Science Fair Summer Camp for Middle School Students

\$2,000 each

Provide teachers with necessary resources to conduct a two-week, hands-on Science Summer Camp experience for 7th and 8th graders. As teachers introduce the *scientific* method, students are inspired and encouraged to begin the plan for their project.

Corporate Sponsor

\$25,000 - \$45,000

Consider joining Motorola Foundation, BP North America Inc., Peoples Gas and ComEd in being a full corporate sponsor. Corporate Sponsorship will entitle your organization to representation on the *Science Fair Board of Directors* as well as recognition on all STEM Exhibition public relations and promotional materials.

Mentorship Program

\$5,000 - \$20,000

Fund the salary and benefits of a teacher who will coordinate a student-mentoring program. The teacher will foster and encourage a high level of advanced laboratory research for students as they design and safely create a project of the highest quality for inclusion in the STEM Exhibition.

A donation form is available at <http://cpsscifair.org/Docs/Donationsform.pdf>

Any and all donations will be graciously accepted.

The Chicago Public Schools Student Science Fair, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Donations are, therefore, tax exempt to the extent provided by law.

Unless otherwise noted, funds which are not designated to a specific area will be placed in the general operating fund.