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Welcome back Science Department Chairpersons and Science Lead Teachers.
I hope you had an amazing and enjoyable summer!

As another school year begins, the Office of College and Career Success (OCCS), Department of Student Support and Engagement (SSE), in collaboration with CPS Student Science Fair, Inc. (CPSSSF) are eager to assist you with the 2015-16 Science Fair and your students with their independent research projects. We have worked diligently in preparing science fair information and materials to distribute at the start of the school year. The 2016 Handbooks will be delivered to schools during the week of September 21st and will be posted and available on our website - www.cpsscifair.org or cssf.org by September 11th. Please check the Student Science Fair's website periodically for updates. Our 2015/16 theme is **Uniting Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics: Through Education and Innovation**. The 2015 Student Science Fair Chairperson is Glennie King (gjking@cps.edu)

Our office is in the final stages of planning and organizing the Regional Network Science Fairs, which will be held during the month of January 2016. In order to assist us in planning, we ask that you submit your Letter of Intent to participate in Science Fair by the deadline of October 30, 2015. It is also vital for the Regional Science Fair Chairpersons to have all school information before winter break. All school-based science fairs must be held prior to December 11, 2015. More information will be shared with you within the next several weeks.

The City Science Fair will be held on March 17-20, 2016 at the Museum of Science and Industry. The State Science Fair will be held on May 13-14 at Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois. The International Science Fair will be held on May 8-13 in Phoenix, Arizona. We look forward to having your students involved to showcase their projects at many of these science fairs.

If you have any questions please contact Luba Johnson, Regional Science Fair Coordinator, at 773-209-2204 or ljohnson131@cps.edu. For additional information, please contact me, Sylvia Nelson Jordan, Academic Competitions Manager via email at snelson@cps.edu or by phone at 773-553-3593.

We look forward to seeing great science fair projects from our CPS students!



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