

**DEADLINES:** <https://www.trine.edu/science-fair/>

Registrations and entry updates – entry at Regional Fair closes Monday, **February 24, 2025 at 4:00 pm.**

**TEACHERS:** *Now through February 24, 2025 – see other deadlines below.*

**Teachers should Register** at <http://www.sefi.org/register/>

Teachers can enter student names as soon as their fair ends. Students complete entries by February 24<sup>th</sup>.

**STUDENTS and TEACHERS:** *January 17, 2025 - <https://www.societyforscience.org/isef/overview-of-forms-and-dates/> Use this link to guide the Adult Sponsor to review what information and forms must be provided (before the experiment begins.)*

**Deadline** for Scientific Review Committee (SRC)/Institutional Review Board (IRB).

- Pre-Experimentation Review opens. Scientific Review Committee (SRC)
- ISEF rules for all students <https://www.societyforscience.org/isef/international-rules/>
  - Some of the policies the regional fairs need to enforce include ensuring prior approvals for projects involving vertebrate animals, potentially hazardous biological agents, hazardous chemicals, and human subjects. Requiring students to gather all appropriate signatures on their forms. An **Institutional Review Board (IRB)** is a committee that, according to federal regulations (45-CFR-46), must evaluate the potential physical and/or psychological risk of research involving humans. All proposed human research must be reviewed and approved by an IRB before experimentation begins. This includes review of any surveys or questionnaires to be used in a project. We have added members to our Scientific Review Committee and created an Institutional Review Board for the regional fair- **names at the bottom of page.**

**STUDENT:** *February 24, 2025 - Deadline for [completed SEFI.org](http://www.sefi.org) registration and SRC Review/Approvals.*

**STUDENT:** Contact your Science Fair Teacher when entry is completed. Teacher must verify completed registrations for each student and will move the student to Regional Fair.

**STUDENT:** Online at Sefi.org - Check registrations for SRC review notifications – approved or rejected. Rejected entries must be updated and resubmitted by the teacher. Notify teacher when you are ready to resubmit.

**TEACHERS:** Student Registration complete and SRC verification updates completed – **March 3, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.**

This includes **resubmission** of student(s) if needed forms **notifications** sent by SRC to the student via SEFI.org.

**STUDENT & TEACHERS:** **BEFORE** student moved to regional status:

- ***Teachers need to check registrations and verify each project content is complete (list below).***

**All Divisions:** On the SEFI web site, <http://www.sefi.org/register/>, registrations **must include:**

1. *Address, phone, grade, date of birth, project title, and category. Project Title must be same as on project board.*
2. *Research plan and brief abstract **must** be included in online entry.*
3. *Student/Parent Email required. **Do not use a student school email. Teacher email may be used only IF no other email is available.***
4. *Check the box to indicate if your display needs electricity.*
5. *Gender and ethnicity is requested, option available if you decline to answer.*
6. *Human Consent Form 4 – if human subjects are part of the project this form must be completed and uploaded in Sefi.org with project.*
7. *Additional for: **Grades 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>:** Additional appropriate 2025 ISEF forms and uploaded components. <https://www.societyforscience.org/isef/international-rules/>*

**Entries promoted to State Fair:** **STUDENTS Grades 4-12:** *April 5, 2025, IU, Indianapolis. STATE FAIR has announced that projects will **NOT** require TheCN.COM this year. Virtual components – Sefi.org provides the ability to upload and share abstracts, YouTube videos and pdf files or reports, etc.*

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