

2010 Project Schedule for Grades 3-5

Use this project schedule to guide you in completing your science fair project. The dates are given as a suggested timeline. Each student in grades 3-5 must have a unique project. Topic ideas and Project Forms will be approved as they are handed in. Similar ideas will not be approved.

Assignment	Target Completion Date	Date Completed
1. Choose a topic that YOU find interesting. The earlier this is submitted, the better.	Jan. 28	
2. Research your topic Can you find enough info?	Feb. 1	
3. Write your big question. Make sure it is a testable question you can research or experiment yourself.	Feb. 3	
4. Write a hypothesis or a good guess about what you think the outcome of your question will be.	Feb. 3	
5. Write a step-by-step procedure (or plan).	Feb. 8	
6. Elementary Project Approval Form Signed Required for grades 3-5. Additional forms are also required if a project experimenting with humans or animals is chosen.	Feb. 9*	
7. Collect all the materials needed for your project.	Feb. 9-12	

8. Conduct your experiment and collect data. Do not start until forms have been approved.	Feb. 12-26	
9. Record the results of your experiment: Keep all information you collect in a log book or project journal.	Feb. 12-26	
10. Draw a conclusion and organize the results.	Feb. 26	
11. Create a display using, graphs, photos, illustrations, neat lettering, and models of your experiment.	March 6	
12. Complete your research log or journal. Include your list of acknowledgements and bibliography.	March 6	
13. Type an abstract. See the Abstract instructions for how to write an abstract. It can be no longer than 1 page and 250 words.	Hand in by March 8**	
14. Prepare an oral presentation to explain your project to others. Practice your presentation with your family.	March 10	
15. Bring project to school Thursday or Friday morning by 9 am.	March 11-12	
16. Present at the science fair from 12:15-2:15	March 12	
17. Congratulate yourself!!!		

* The Elementary Project Approval form must be signed by the student, parent, and teacher **BEFORE** experimentation may begin.

**Abstract needs to be handed in by March 8th.

