

A big thank you goes out to all of the students and families that took the time to research and create Interest Fair projects this year. It was exciting to see our students challenging themselves to dig into their projects and learn something new. I was very proud as the evaluators raved about students' work. They were impressed with what the kids knew about their topics, how excited they were and how well they communicated their thoughts. All of these are very important lifelong skills. So, to all of you that took the time, "Thanks for another successful year!"

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Congratulations to all who participated! I hope many of you are gathering your ideas for next year's Interest Fair - it will be here before you know it!!

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