

## **How to Enter the Worcester Regional Science & Engineering Fair Middle School Division, Grades 6-8**

Students enter the WRSEF-Middle School Division in one of the following two ways:

- As a winner in his/her school science fair
- Through working with a teacher in their school

*Each school is allowed to send 10 projects to the Regional Fair.*

### **For submitting WRSEF Middle School Fair Research Plans for Approval**

To be sure a project meets all safety rules and requirements, each student must complete and submit Research Plan Forms 1A and B (if necessary Form C and Form D). Students can work in groups up to three (each must submit their own paperwork). These must be approved **BEFORE** starting your project. Form C at this point does not need to be signed just filled out. Students who do not apply for and receive official advance approval, or do not follow the safety regulations during the research process, may be disqualified.

All students must adhere to the official MSSEF-Middle School Division research and safety rules when working on and exhibiting their projects at the regional and statewide middle school science fairs. [Click here](#) for the MSSEF- Middle School Division rules (in the Middle School Manual).

[RESEARCH PLAN FORM 1A and RESEARCH PLAN FORM 1B](#): These two forms are required for all students – be sure to fill in all the information and obtain all project required signatures and approval from your Regional Safety Review Committee (RSRC) before you start your project.

[INFORMED CONSENT FORM C](#): If a project uses human subjects, Form C (Human Consent Form) must be completed for each human subject prior to his/her involvement in a project and approved. The subject must sign where indicated on Form C. If the subject is under 18, a parent must sign Form C. All signed Human Consent Forms from your subjects must accompany your registration packet.

[DESIGNATED SUPERVISOR FORM D](#): If there is a designated supervisor required for your project, have the supervisor complete and sign this Form D, and submit this completed form along with the others. Projects that may need this form use certified, non-pathogenic micro-organisms, devices such as power tools, certain chemicals, and some human subject projects. Check the manual for more specific information or with your regional or state directors if there is a question.

All required forms must be fully completed and signed where indicated. Send your forms to:

Lisa Greenwald  
379 Cross Street  
Boylston, MA 01505

After reviewing the necessary forms and verification of following all safety rules, WRSEF will send paperwork back to the teacher of the student(s) with approval or denial of the project or if the paperwork needs to be resubmitted. If there is a safety concern or other issue with the project and the project is not allowed, the teacher will be notified.

## **For submitting WRSEF Middle School Fair Registration Materials**

Once it is decided who will be attending the Worcester Regional Science & Engineering Fair--all paperwork **(Registration Form, Approved Research Plan Form 1A & 1B, Form C & D if necessary)** are to be submitted to Lisa Greenwald. Form C's must have all signed consent forms submitted at this point. The Registration Form can be found [here](#).

The forms can be mailed:

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**Once forms are received, the teacher will receive an email notification about the day of the science fair. This email will contain information for the teacher as well as information that the teacher needs to distribute to participating students.**

**For additional questions email Lisa Greenwald at [greenwaldl@westboroughk12.org](mailto:greenwaldl@westboroughk12.org).**