

SPECIFICATIONS FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS CONTEST

1. **MEF Educational Institutions** has been organizing "Research Projects Contest" among the high school level students for twenty-one years in order to support the science education in Turkey, to motivate the students who are capable in this area to perform scientific research and enable them to be grown up as the "Scientists of the Future"
2. All the students of high schools from Turkey and abroad and giving an education based on the primary school education can take part in the contest.
3. A separate contest shall be organized exclusively for international projects.
4. The research projects shall be prepared in **Physics, Chemistry, Biology** branches.
5. The projects should have a scientific research characteristic, be original and not have been taken part in any other contest. The projects that do not meet these criteria shall be eliminated at the application stage. (The project owners and the guide teachers shall be responsible for the originality of the projects).
6. A student can take part in the contest with only one project. The projects can be prepared by a single student or a group (maximum 2 students and 1 teachers). (The awards shall be given to the project without taking the number of the people into consideration).
7. **The Project Application Forms** to be filled by the students applying the contests shall be sent to the mailing address of MEF Educational Institutions or e-mailed to proje@mef.k12.tr together with their annexes after they are signed by the relevant school management to be delivered to our school no later than **22 February 2013**. The applications after the deadline shall not be accepted.
8. The projects shall be evaluated by a jury consists of the academicians from the universities.
9. The jury shall have the right to change the scientific branch of the project on the basis of the project content. For example if the content of a project sent for chemistry branch is dominant with biology, this project shall be evaluated under biology branch.
10. The owners of the projects that are chosen to be exhibited shall be informed about the date and place of the exhibition to be held in April in Istanbul.
11. The exhibition arrangements (supplying the tables and the stands) shall be made by **MEF Educational Institutions**. The materials required to be used for the projects should be notified to the **Project Contest Coordination Office via the tele-phones assigned for this purposes and negative / positive confirmation should be obtained**.
12. Teachers and students coming from abroad, are responsible for their round-trip flight fees.
13. The accommodation expenditures during the exhibition (on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) for the contestants from other cities and abroad shall be paid by our institution. The room arrangement in the accommodation plan is for 2 or 3 persons. This plan is made on the basis of the information forms filled and send by you.
14. The meals during the exhibition period - the breakfasts and lunches- shall be supplied by our institution. The dinners shall be paid by you (except the evening organizations).
15. The students who get the first, second and third places and encouragement awards and their project guide teachers shall also be awarded with money at the amounts stated below and certificate of success and memory plackets shall be given to all the students, teacher and/or school managements taking part in the contest.
16. Besides this "**jury special awards**" shall be given to a number of projects deemed suitable by the jury.

PLACE	STUDENT PRIZE	TEACHER PRIZE
FIRST PLACE	1,400 \$	1,400 \$
SECOND PLACE	1,200 \$	1,200 \$
THIRD PLACE	1.100 \$	1.100 \$
ENCOURAGEMENT PRIZE	900 \$	900 \$
JURY SPECIAL PRIZE	650 \$	650 \$

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