

Waikato Science Fair 2025



Waikato Science Fair Newsletter: July 2025

Save the Date: Monday 11th August 2025

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VENUE & DATE



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Entries

Entries are open [Entry Form for All Classes](#)

A school can have **five entries per class**.

If you have students working together in two different year levels enter them in the higher year level.

Entries Close for all classes: **Friday 18th July 2025**

Just a reminder: Classes 15-20, ALSO need to be entered.

The person responsible will receive an email to check your entry information. This needs to be done by the **25th July 2025**

Please check that the **class students** are entered for is correct, check the **spelling** of their names are correct.

Classes are very important: Incorrect classes impact registration, table placement of student entries, judging, printing of certificates, and potentially prizegiving.

We have had a number of students self-entering. A teacher needs to do this. Homeschool students, we will check the status.

Judging

Classes 15 - 19 (Wall Charts, Scientific Drawings, Photography) due: **Friday 25th July** delivered to the Sacred Heart Girls' College Reception 52 Clyde Street Hamilton.

Class 20: [Video link entered here](#) or email to wrstfair@gmail.com (Clearly label the email as a video entry) by **Friday 25th July**

All entries need to be collected from the venue on the day of the Science Fair.

Classes 1-14: boards are taken to the venue by students on **Monday 11 August**, students need to then remain at the venue to be questioned on their hard work.

Small Change: Badges and certificates will be placed into envelopes.

Could a teacher/ designated parent please collect. If your school has only entered into Categories 15-20 these will be sent to you.

On the Day

- Please arrive between 8.15 and 8.30 am
- Look at the signs to indicate what registration desk to go to.
- Displays set up by 8.45 am
- Parents and teachers to leave the exhibit room by 8.55am
- 9.00am judging commences FOR THE STUDENTS
- Expect students to be there for approximately 1.5 hours
- Once students are judged, they should leave the exhibit room and meet with their teachers / parents.
- Once Judged they can leave
- Judges will ask your students to explain the board and might ask how they came up with the idea.
- Boards collected between **3.00 - 4.00pm**.
- **Class 15-19:** Photographs, wall charts and drawings can be collected at the venue on the day.

After Judging

Prizewinners will be notified by the 14th August.

Please collect bank details of the winners and send to wrstfair@gmail.com

In the heading: Please put the student name and school.

Note: Money will not be awarded until after prizegiving.

Prizegiving:

Thursday 21st August 2025

Fairfield Intermediate, FIS Auditorium

77 Hukanui Road, Chartwell , Hamilton

Start time: 6.00 pm – 8.00pm

Display Boards

Please be respectful of this, we have very limited space.

Display boards can be purchased from warehouse stationery or office max (size is slightly smaller).



Warwick Display Board
1020x875mm White

The larger boards are not to be used in 2025.

Ethics

The Animal Ethics for students is in transition. However, refer to the ethics site for guidance <https://nzase.org.nz/animal-ethics/> or <https://animaethics.org.nz/>.

Please do not bring live creatures to the Science fair. It is a breach of health and safety.

Health and Safety

Please read over the safety around micro-organisms. This can be found in the teacher handbook. Growing bacteria is becoming more popular in the Science Fair but does come with safety issues.

Please do not bring culture plates to the Science fair. It is a breach of health and safety.

Electricity: Due to the layout of the venue we cannot supply electricity to exhibits in a safe manner. We suggest supplying a QR code on the exhibit linked to a video showing the exhibit working.

Teacher and Student Handbook

Please take time to read the documents. Any questions please email the Science Fair Team.

Other information:

Please make sure to like our Facebook page for updates:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/MUfoRMkwjDDtzkpU/?mibextid=LQQJ4d>

Waikato Science Fair Website: <http://www.waikatosciencefair.org.nz>

If you have any questions please contact: wrstfair@gmail.com

Regards,
Waikato Regional Science Fair Committee.