



MSSEF Policy on Student Participation from Out-of-School Programs

Students in grades 9-12 who take part in an independent science/engineering research project as part of an established out-of-school program in Massachusetts, e.g. Big Brothers/Big Sisters, are eligible to compete in the MSSEF statewide high school Science & Engineering Fair as a direct entry through their established out-of-school program. The teacher/adult sponsor of record (as noted on MSSEF Form 1) for the student(s) must be a representative of the out-of-school program. A maximum of two projects may be proposed for participation from each bona fide out-of-school program each year.

The Scientific Review Committee (SRC) that will have authority to grant the required approval(s) prior to experimentation for the research project will be the MSSEF SRC, which can be reached at src@scifair.com. In the case of the out-of-school program defined above, the Regional SRC is not the granting authority.