



Science in the Arts Challenge 2023 Rules

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I. General Rules

- SAC1.** West Virginia high school students may submit an entry for a visual arts product which they have created to represent Science in the Arts, see details on the [Science in the Arts Challenge webpage](#).
- SAC2.** Student should consider the **Science in the Arts Challenge Rubric** for information about the artwork, display, and science requirements of the challenge.
- SAC3.** Students do not have to be enrolled in an art class or science class to participate in the *Science in the Arts Challenge*.
- SAC4.** Each entry must include a **visual artwork and a storyboard display**. The storyboard should be sequence of photographs showing the student creating the artwork, the artwork in various stages of completion, and explanations of science of the materials or process use to create the artwork. An entry that does not include both required components (visual artwork and storyboard display) shall be disqualified from competition.
- SAC5.** Entries must clearly demonstrate and explain a science component related to the artwork.
- SAC6.** Students may ask others for help and direction, but they must create the artwork themselves.
- SAC7.** A student may enter only ONE project in the Science in the Arts Challenge. If participating in the Science in the Arts **and** the Science & Engineering Fair, then students should contact Science Coordinator Erika Klose (eklose@k12.wv.us) to avoid a scheduling conflict of the presentation times.
- SAC8.** The *Science in the Arts Challenge* will follow the WV Science and Engineering Fair Schedule of Events.

II. Registration

- SAC9.** **Students must register their project online by the date on the website.**
- SAC10.** Students must provide an email address during the registration process. The email address will be used to confirm the student's registration, and invitation, and to provide information about the set-up time and location (Charleston Coliseum and Conference Center, Charleston, WV) for the *Science in the Arts Challenge*.

III. Artwork Displays

- SAC11.** Students must set up their artwork at the *WV State Science and Engineering Fair* in the designated space and during the time permitted. Following the awards ceremony, students are responsible for removing their artwork.
- SAC12.** A display area will be no larger than 30" front to back x 36" wide. The artwork and display must fit in the designated area on the table provided by the WV Science in the Arts Challenge.
- SAC13.** Students are NOT permitted to bring their own table.
- SAC14.** The artwork and storyboard display are the tools students must use to tell judges about their work.
- SAC15.** **2-D submissions** should be matted and ready for display. As a general guideline, 2-D submissions may not be larger than 24" x 36"; this includes mat and frame. Additionally, frame stands or table easels may be used to display artwork such as paintings, drawings, photos, etc. provided that the stands/easels and artwork fit in the display area.
- SAC16.** **3-D submissions** should be no heavier than 40 lbs. and should be portable enough for one person to handle.
- SAC17.** **3-D submissions** should be stable and free standing.
- SAC18.** Display items may NOT be placed in the aisles.
- SAC19.** Items may *not* hang from the front of the table.
- SAC20.** The space under the table directly beneath the project may be used for storage.

IV. Judging and Awards

- SAC21.** Access to the artwork display room is limited to fair officials, judges, and students during the scheduled judging period. Parents and teachers may not accompany students into the artwork display area during the scheduled judging period.
- SAC22.** Artwork may not be removed until after the public viewing, see Schedule of Events. Students who are unable to retrieve their artwork following the public viewing and awards ceremony must identify someone to do so. Anything left at the fair will be discarded at the conclusion of the event.
- SAC23.** The *Science in the Arts Challenge Rubric* will be used to score the visual arts piece, science information, display, and presentation. A total of 96 points may be earned on the rubric and a minimum of 67 points must be earned for a participant to be awarded first place.
- SAC24.** The winning artwork will be identified before the awards ceremony of the WV Science & Engineering Fair.

SAC25. A \$100 prize will be awarded to the student who wins the *Science in the Arts Challenge*. The art teacher and the science teacher of the winning student will each receive a \$100 grant to be used to purchase supplies for his or her classroom.

SAC26. The winning project will not be eligible to compete in the Science in the Arts Challenge in subsequent years.

SAC27. Issues or concerns about the judging process, particularly those issues related to oral presentations, must be addressed with the fair coordinator immediately. It is often impossible to resolve such matters after judges have been dismissed.

V. Prohibited Items

SAC28. Some materials listed below are necessary for creating some visual artworks, however, they are prohibited from being displayed at the Science in the Arts Challenge.

- a. Live animals
- b. Flames, highly flammable materials, or sources of heat (hot plates, etc.).
- c. Dry ice
- d. Weapons and ammunition (including toys and replicas)
- e. Sharp items (for example, syringes, needles, knives)
- f. Tobacco products
- g. All hazardous substances or devices (for example, chemicals, poisons, and drugs).
- h. Batteries with open-top cells (for example, car and motorcycle batteries).
- i. Any item prohibited by WV Board of Education Policies.
- j. Any item that the fair coordinator deems unsafe or inappropriate for public display.

VI. Levels of Authority

SAC29. The State Science in the Arts coordinator has the final decision on matters pertaining to the fair if these matters are not covered in fair regulations.

SAC30. Disqualification of projects not meeting the project rules is the responsibility of the fair coordinator(s).

SAC31. Any disputes regarding the *Science in the Arts Challenge* must be submitted within 1 business day following the fair.

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