

# Stockton University to Host Region's Largest Science Fair on Saturday, March 21

More than 700 students to compete in Jersey Shore Science Fair

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Galloway Township, NJ – More than 700 students from Atlantic, Cape May, Ocean and Monmouth counties will compete in the region's largest science fair, hosted by Stockton University on Saturday, March 21.

"The Jersey Shore Science Fair is the largest out of 13 in the Delaware Valley region, and has doubled in participants since 2000," said Dean Dennis Weiss, of the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics at Stockton.

"The Stockton JSSF has been recognized as one of the best in both quantity and quality of projects," said Cathy Jaggard, fair director for 16 years and an employee of Altran – North America.

Over 650 projects submitted by students in sixth through 12th grades will be judged on criteria including creative ability, scientific thought/engineering goals, thoroughness, skill and clarity.

First- and second-place winners from sixth through eighth grades will go on to the Delaware Valley Science Fair in Philadelphia, where judging day is April 1. Students who have participated at the Jersey Shore Science Fair at Stockton have gone all the way to the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) and placed in previous years, according to Henry Disston, director of Delaware Valley Science Fairs, Inc.

"The kids and the teachers who work hard to compete are what makes our fair a success," said Jaggard.

Stockton faculty, staff and students will participate in judging and helping run the science fair, which starts at 9 a.m. on March 21 in Stockton's Sports Center. The public may view the projects between 12 noon and 1 p.m., followed by an awards ceremony at 1:30 p.m.