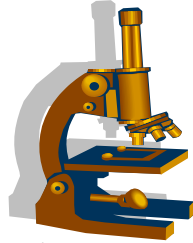


# AMES Science Fair



## 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents

Congratulations 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents, your child has received 4 of the 4 required “Science in a Bag” experiments to participate in the Ames Science Fair on March 16<sup>th</sup>. This is the final week for the program and makeup baggies will be handed out on Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. All completed and not completed experiments are due back to the Ames office on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and will end the “Science in a Bag” program. Students who turn in the completed final experiment and attend the two mandatory science fair meetings listed below may participate in the science fair. The Science Fair promises to be an outstanding learning experience for all those involved, however participation in the fair is optional and not required. The fair will consist of student project presentations and final award ribbons.

Science Fair projects will be primarily worked on at home with parents and their student group (two students per group). There will be three science fair meeting (two are mandatory attendance) after school in Mrs. Allen’s room from 3:10-4pm on the following dates, parents are welcome to attend but are not required. If a child cannot attend the afterschool meetings, there will be a makeup meeting during lunch on the next day in Mrs. Allen’s room (please do not attend the lunchtime meeting if you attended the afterschool meeting as it is the same material):

- Science Fair mtg. 1 – February 16<sup>th</sup>, “Pick a topic talk” (mandatory)
- Science Fair mtg. 2 – February 23<sup>rd</sup>, “Firm up topic choice and return contracts”
- Science Fair mtg. 3 – March 2<sup>nd</sup>, “Status check in” (mandatory)

We will provide folders that contain instructions and requirements for their science project to participating student groups.

The Ames Science Fair offers your child an exciting opportunity to learn more about the scientific process and to develop skills to present those findings. We are looking forward to seeing your children’s creative ideas and intriguing projects.

Sincerely,  
Serina Ranft and Lauren Allen