

General Guidelines of the “Sciences Fair 2024”

1. Only students registered in Lebanese schools can participate to the Science Fair 2024.
2. Participating student must be in middle school (grades 6, 7, 8, 9) or in high school (grades 10, 11 and seniors) or equivalent in the French or Lebanese system. The student must not exceed the age of 19.
3. A registered student is allowed to participate in one and only project.
4. Each team can include one to four members as maximum. Members of one team should be either in middle school or in secondary school.
5. French, English and Arabic are the official languages of the fair.
6. Projects must include practical work (project model) and a display board.
7. All scientific fields are included in the fair: Sciences, Technology and Mathematics (Life sciences, Earth sciences, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental sciences, Robotics, Programming, Computational sciences, Mathematics).
8. Students may seek optional assistance in any field; however projects must be conducted by themselves.
9. Application form, plan of research, and display board requirements of the Science Fair must be followed by schools and students. Otherwise, disqualification will take place.
10. Ethical aspects represent a key factor in the contest. Scientific fraud and misconduct in whatever way are not condoned at any level of research or competition. The “Sciences Fair” committee and organizers have all the right to disqualify projects as for misconduct of ethics and behavior.
11. The “Sciences Fair” application process begins with the submission of a student checklist and a project summary by mail to sciencesfair@usj.edu.lb. The deadline for applying is on Saturday, January 20th, 2024 at 5:00 pm. Selected projects will be announced on the “Sciences Fair” [webpage \(https://www.usj.edu.lb/fs/sciencesfair2024\)](https://www.usj.edu.lb/fs/sciencesfair2024) on Monday, February 12th, 2024.
12. The Scientific committee of the “Sciences Fair” has the full right to decide the number of selected projects.
13. The installation of the project at the premises of the Faculty of sciences, Campus of Sciences and Technologies, Mar Roukos – Dekwaneh will be on Thursday, April 25th, 2024 between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm.
14. The “Sciences Fair” competition will be held on Friday, April 26th and Saturday, April 27th, 2024 at the Faculty of sciences, Campus of Sciences and Technologies, Mar Roukos - Dekwaneh. The award winning ceremony will be held on Saturday, April 27th, 2024. The detailed program will be announced later.
15. Projects will be evaluated according to the following criteria:
 - Innovation and Creativity (30 %)
 - Scientific Value and Scope (20 %)
 - Enhancement (20 %)
 - Student Contribution (10 %)
 - Project Presentation (20 %)