



**CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR**  
**SCIENCE FAIR STUDENT OF THE YEAR**  
**2011 APPLICATION**

NAME OF APPLICANT (LAST NAME, FIRST NAME)	SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER
NAME OF SCHOOL	

**Description:** The California State Science Fair Student of the Year is selected from 12th grade students who are entrants in the State Science Fair and who submit this completed application and an essay. Applicants will be judged on their science project, academic excellence, ability to communicate, community service, and breadth of activities and interests.

**Directions:** The complete application consists of

- this completed form, including names and phone numbers of three references, and
- a separate essay, *no longer than 600 words*, which explains your Science Fair Project. Since the judging panel will consist of people who may not be experts in your topic area, make sure that your essay is written for a general audience.

There is no separate fee associated with this application.

The application and essay should be typed. Use a type size no smaller than 10 point. (This is 10 point type.) Any other additional materials submitted with this application will **not** be given to the judges.

**Procedure:** Based upon this application form and essay, semi-finalists will be selected by the judges on the morning of the Fair. Semi-finalists will be interviewed about their project on the floor of the Science Fair during the regular category judging period. Three to five finalists will then be selected and announced at the end of the category judging period. During the afternoon, in-depth interviews will deal with issues set out in this application, and may include, but will not be limited to, the scope of your specific project.

**DEADLINE: MUST BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY, APRIL 21.** Mail to: Science Fair Student of the Year Award, California State Science Fair, California Science Center, 700 Exposition Park Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90037.

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1. Describe your high school scholastic achievements.

2. Describe your involvement in extracurricular activities.

3. Describe your involvement in community service work.

4. Describe your other interests and hobbies and why these are important to you.

**REFERENCES**

List the names and daytime phone numbers of three personal references who can evaluate your activities listed in this application. Family members are not permitted as references.

NAME OF REFERENCE	AREA CODE	DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER