

## Monday Matters: Judges needed for the VSSEF on April 15

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Dear Colleagues:

ODU is hosting the Virginia State Science and Engineering Fair (VSSEF) on April 15th. This is an excellent opportunity to recruit Virginia's outstanding students because those participating in the fair are the winners of their regional fairs. Winners of VSSEF will then participate in the International Science & Engineering Fair in Dallas, TX.

The College of Sciences and the College of Engineering are co-sponsoring the VSSEF. This year's VSSEF will be in person at the Ted Constant Center. Gabriel Franke is Fair Director with assistance from Justin Mason. Emily Hardy is the Judging Coordinator, and the fair's Scientific Review Committee is headed by Lesley Greene.

At this time, we need judges in a wide variety of science and engineering categories to carry out interviews and score projects during the fair on April 15. **Please consider volunteering to be a judge.** We need approximately 90 judges. Registration for judges begins today, Monday, March 6, 2023.

Additional information:

- In 2023 the Virginia State Science and Engineering Fair will be held in person.
- The fair is scheduled for Saturday, April 15, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM EST. Most judging will take place between 8 AM and 12 PM on Saturday morning.
- Register to be a judge at [Virginia State Science and Engineering Fair \(zfairs.com\)](https://www.zfairs.com)
- Go to "**CREATE ACCOUNT**" and choose "**JUDGE**". Once you create your account, you will receive an email with your username and password, which will allow you to log back into the fair website and fill out a simple registration form.
- Judges will be expected to attend one judge training. There will be two virtual training options: Thursday, April 6th 12:30 PM - 1:20 PM or Wednesday, April 12th 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM.

If you have any questions, please contact Gabriel Franke in the Dean's Office.

Best Regards,

Gail

### Upcoming Events and Deadlines:

- Sexual Harassment training due March 6
- Cheng Fund for Innovative Research proposals due March 15
- College of Sciences Award nominations due to college from Chairs on March 15
- Science Friday: PSB 1100, 4 pm
  - March 17, 2023: Jian Wu (Computer Science) and Abby Braitman (Psychology)
- COACHE survey – Please complete this survey as soon as possible if you have not already
  - Survey was sent only to full time faculty past the first year
- COSURP proposals due April 4
- Kaplan Orchid Conservatory display house closing to visitors May 26

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