

“Swift Spring Splash” Was Fun for Everyone!

Swift Elementary School hosted a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Fair and Book Fair on March 24th. More than 200 families came out to enjoy the festivities.

Swift School’s Scholastic Book Fair explored an Ocean of Books through fun activities, including a Barnacle Book Hunt, a Seaworthy craft, pictures with Clifford the Big Red Undersea Dog, Diving ring toss game, Sea coloring fun, Fish in the bowl guess, ocean tattoos, and Fishy fun lollipop grab. Porpoise Prize Drawings for kids and adults were a fun addition and featured gift cards, select items, and boy’s and girl’s bicycles. Of course, all enjoyed shopping for books and a free snack. All proceeds benefited the Swift library, classroom libraries, and Swift Parents Club.

The STEM Fair featured free activities including design challenges, a Makerspace, computer coding and microscope exploration. Teachers volunteered their time and love of learning to host these stations. Seventy-five students participated in the Science Fair portion of the evening. Students used the scientific method to conduct experiments of their choice. First, they needed to ask a question and formulate a hypothesis. After executing their experiment, they collected data, analyzed the information and reported the results. They began working on their projects in January.

Judges for the evening’s competition were sixth- and eighth-grade students from Alder Avenue and Fernwood Avenue middle schools who participated in this year’s Jersey Shore Science Fair.

Our **1st grade participants** who did not compete were Sophia Cappuccio, Demari Simeon, Vincent Shoell, and Max Adkins.

1st graders Who Competed

Behavioral & Social Sciences

1st place: Samantha Battersby

Botany

1st place: Joshua Cochran

2nd place: Eleanor Morris

Chemistry

1st place: Matthew Reed

2nd place: Billy Christopher

3rd place: Caroline

Consumer Science

1st place: Jake Summer

Environmental Science

1st place: Kazi Ayaan

2nd place: Mason Sherbon

Geology

1st place: Nathan Bortu

2nd place: Skylar Wood

Medicine & Health

1st place tie: Tyler Price and Johnny Thomas

Physics - Energy

1st place: Kiara Ygana

2nd place: Rami Orellana

Physics – Forces & Motion

1st place: Easton Dilks

2nd Grade students

Biochemistry

1st place: Desarae Williams

Botany

1st place: Aaron Wagner

2nd place: Gabriella Isabella

Chemistry

1st place: Averie Harding

2nd place: Mark Ware

Engineering

1st place: Ava McMackin

2nd place: Matthew Kaelble

Environmental Science

1st place: Claire Lee

2nd place: Abigail Lyon

Geology

1st place: Kamneto Asiegbu

2nd place: Lily Johannson

Physics - Magnetism

1st place: Jacob Wood

2nd place: Samuel Cicchino

3rd place: Joshua Singh

Physics

1st place: Sabrina Little

2nd place: Makayla Lenhardt

Zoology

1st place: Varenna Weber

Group

1st place: Lyla Brown, Raegan Simon, Samantha Swisher

2nd place: Bella Rose Shields, Lia Carroll

3rd Grade

Biochemistry

1st place: Mariah Nell

2nd place: Leah Heritage

Botany

1st place: Carson Bellak

2nd place: Phillip Cappuccio

Chemistry

1st place: Peyton DeVivo

2nd place: Talia DeNafo

Computer Science

1st place: Jacob Cochran

Consumer Science

1st place: Gabrielle Hiltner

2nd place: Shivani Patel

Engineering - Acoustic

1st place: Daniel Bernal

Engineering - Civil

1st place: Lawrence Ho

Environmental Science

1st place: Kayla Bracey

2nd place: Mia Bohan

Geology

1st place: Craig Off

Historical Research

1st place: Samantha Reed

Medicine & Health

1st place: Kloe Kurban

2nd place: Abraham Asiegbu

Physics - Energy

1st place: Santino Casale

2nd place: Troy Sabott

Group 1

1st place tie: Graham McBane & Matthew Robertson/Rhylee Cornell, Julia White, Sienna Walterson

2nd place: Madeline Kreidler, Mya Cialini

Group 2

1st place: Elizabeth Bettencourt, Silamlak Dinku, Yuliana Gomez

2nd place: Jake Thurlow, Nicholas Tran

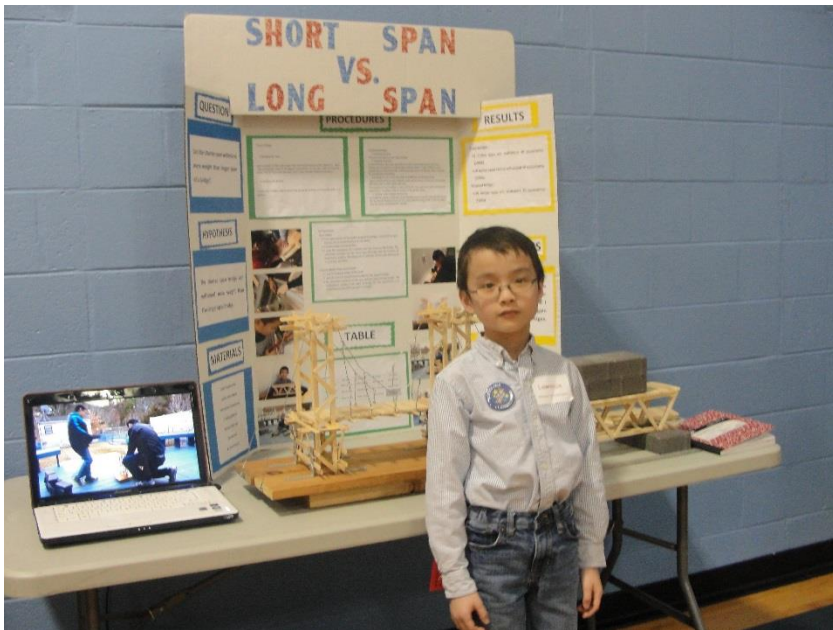
3rd place: Melody Park, Halie Rockelman



3rd grade teacher, Mrs. Barr assisting students with gears.



Judges with 1st graders Ellie M. & Joshua C.



Lawrence H., 3rd grade winner in Physics



Figure 1 3rd graders Mya C. and Maddie K. won 2nd place in Botany



2nd grade teacher, Mrs. Santoro assisted students at the Makerspace



Easton D. won 1st prize in Physics for 1st graders



2nd grader Sabrina L. won for Physics