

67th GKCSEF
Charles N. Kimball Awards Ceremony
Award Winners
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The Howard Gadberry Teacher Award - goes to a teacher that reflects his commitment to research and contributing to the community through science with his long-term involvement at Midwest Research Institute. The 2018 Howard Gadberry Award goes to Brad Lynch of West Platte School District.

Special Awards

STEM organizations with an avid interest in science education present special awards for projects entered in the Fair. Each organization selects its own award criteria, and provides judges to select the winning projects.

Air and Waste Management Association

Winners and Teachers:

Senior: Ahmed Karraz , Yanal Rhaimeh & Nabeel Shuaib, Islamic School of Greater Kansas City
Teacher: Farzana Jabeen

Junior: Caroline Brincks, Summit Lakes Middle School
Teacher: Robert Jacobsen

Intermediate: Meadow Harvey, Fire Prairie
Teacher: Barb McMahill

American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) - Kansas City Section

Winner: Claire Fuhlhage , Olathe North

American Meteorological Society- Kansas City Chapter

Winners: Jessica Keys, Olathe North
Alexandria Stephenson, Olathe North

American Psychological Association

Winner: Victoria Nguyen, CAPS

Archie Dykes Library of Health Sciences

Winners: Thomas Lushington & Frances Parker, South Middle School
Erin Smith, SMSD Biotechnology Program

ASM International - Kansas City Chapter

Winners: 1st place: Ben O'Dell, Fire Prairie
2nd place: Evan Andracsek , Barstow
3rd place: Cole Southard & Joseph Nguyen, Oakhill Day School

Association For Women Geoscientists

Winner: Megan Merritt, Olathe North

ASU Rob and Melani Walton Sustainability Solutions Initiatives

Winners: Kaneikawaiola Porter, Olathe North
Stuti Dalal, Shawnee Mission East

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Kansas BioGENEius Challenge

Winners: Kansas BioGENEius Gold Award: Rachel Silverstein, Shawnee Mission West

BioGENEius Finalists: Paul Case, Barstow

Lindsey Chavey, SMSD Biotechnology Program

Imaan Azeem, Olathe North

Broadcom MASTERS Awards

Winners:

Barstow	Kyanne	Carlgren
Belinder Elementary	Nina	Yun
	Natalee	Sandstrom
	Taylor	Uresti
	Aanya	Bansal
	Isabel	Skyfield
	Grace	Milroy
	Emmerson	Sullivan
	Nora	Hill
	Sam	Streiler
	Hayden	Falley
Alex	Aires	
Calvary Lutheran	Emma	Alber

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School

Chisholm Trail Middle School	Tara	Wolfe
Christ Preparatory Academy	Tess	Boyer
	Luke	Stearman
Fire Prairie	Ben	O'Dell
Heritage Middle School	Asya	Erdogan
	Megan	Cole
Hocker Grove Middle School	Caleb	Kiatoukaysi
Indian Hills Middle School	Nicholas	Karr
Indian Woods Middle School	Nathan	Tompkins
Kansas City Christian School	Candace	Gomendoza
	Abigail	Gilmore
	Felicity	Braswell
Lakeside Academy	Jude	Frank
Liberty Middle School	Meghan	Murphy
Oakhill Day School	Cole	Southard

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	Sophia	Martin
Other	Bentley	Siems
Padre Pio Academy	Helen	Smock
Pembroke Hill	Jamie	Case
Prairie Star Middle School	Tamar	Reem
South Middle School	Thomas	Lushington
	Frances	Parker
Southwest Middle School	Nathaniel	Slemmer
St Andrew the Apostle Parish School	Bennett	Thomas
St. Peter's	Tess	Tappan
	Jakob	Davis
	Marykate	Roder
	Quincy	Shank
Summit Lakes Middle School	Annika	Tsay
Trailwood Elementary	Sylvia	Brown
West Platte Jr. High	Tanner	Rowe

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Burns & McDonnell

Winners:

Senior: Ellie Green, Shawnee Mission East

Junior: William Hiles, St. Peter's

Intermediate: Isabella Stolle, Parker Elementary

F. Gene Hampton Award of Excellence in the Life Sciences

Winner: Katrina Case, Pembroke Hill

The GENIUS Olympiad

Winners: Dawson Noernberg, Olathe North

Jessica Keys, Olathe North

Greater Kansas City Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

Winners: Samantha Herron, Hocker Grove Middle School

Sophia McCluer, John Nowlin Elementary

Carson Keene, John Nowlin Elementary

Kyle O'Hara, Christ Preparatory Academy

IEEE (I triple E) Kansas City Section- PES/IAS Chapter

Winners: Ellie Green, Shawnee Mission East

Jackson Taylor & Dylan Potter, Prince of Peace

Manuel Elizondo, Plaza Heights Christian Academy

Intel Excellence in Computer Science Award

Winner: Erin Smith, SMSD Biotechnology Program

Kansas City Garden Club

Winners: Paige Estrada & Emma Beaver, Garfield Elementary

Estephanie Longoria & Sandrine Kibasumba, Garfield Elementary

Kurtis Fredricks, Martin City Middle School

Quincy Shank, St. Peter's

Kaneikawaiola Porter, Olathe North

Kathryn Jones, Blue Valley High School

Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering & Technology-Shipman Award

Winner: Erin Smith, SMSD Biotechnology Program

Teacher: Brenda Bott

Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering & Technology – Project Display

Winners:

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Antioch Middle School	Lexi	Reffitt
	Grayson	Wright
Barstow	Tyler	Carlgren
Blue Valley Southwest HS	Derek	Ruf
Blue Valley West High School	Annika	Bhatt
Calvary Lutheran School	Emma	Alber
CAPS	Hanna	Bradford
Christ Preparatory Academy	Stephen	Bandimere
Heritage Middle School	Lia	Nickel
Home School	Violet	Rollins
Home School	Noel	Seymour
homeschool	Owen	Sime
John Nowlin Elementary	Addyson	Ford
	Lillian	Jenkins
Kansas City Christian School	Ariana	Cutsforth

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	Owen	Dooley
Liberty Middle School	Ellie	Primm
Olathe North	Kiran	Bisarya
	Annabelle	Darby
	Malek	Ellouz
	Claire	Fuhlhage
	Colin	Kalicki
	Jessica	Keys
	Grace	Palcic
	Alexandria	Stephenson
Other	Bentley	Siems
Our Lady of the Presentation	Benjamin	Ferrara
Prince of Peace	Mikayla	Benanti
	Mason	Dunn
	Yoseph	Ephrem
	Micaela	Houlahan

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Shawnee Mission West Rachel Silverstein

SM East High School Ellie Green

SMSD Biotechnology Program Lindsey Chavey

Erin Smith

South Middle School Thomas Lushington

Frances Parker

Southwest Middle School Nathaniel Slemmer

St. Peter's Jakob Davis

Hattie McLane

Marykate Roder

Quincy Shank

Tess Tappan

Summit Lakes Middle School Annika Tsay

Summit Technology Academy Duncan Crosby

West Platte Jr. High Tanner Rowe

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Wolf Springs Aden Dickerson
Elementary -

 Fionn McHugh

 Andrew Woirhaye

The Marie Miller Promising Young Scientist Award

Winners: Jamie Case, Pembroke Hill

Teacher: David Longhofer

Samantha Herron, Hocker Grove Middle School

Teacher: Trisha Smith

Martin N. Schuler Award

Winner: Hanna Bradford, CAPS Blue Valley

Mu Alpha Theta

Winner: Paul Case, Barstow

NASA Earth Systems Science Award

Winner: Jessica Keys, Olathe North

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Winner: Nathnael Kahassai, Liberty High School

Ricoh Corporation

Winner: Hannah McGivern & Reagan Rinehart, West Platte High School

Science City MAKE Award

Winners: Lillian Jenkins, John Nowlin

Mira Vadaparampil, Barstow

Stephen Bandimere, Christ Preparatory Academy

Seth Coselmon, Christ Preparatory Academy

Gabriel Traub, Christ Preparatory Academy

Science City Spark!Lab SPARK AWARD

Winners: Noah Tarjan, Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy

Stella Grist, Victoria Neighbour & Adrina Bischoff, Trailridge Middle School

Felicity Braswell, Kansas City Christian School

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Society of Women Engineers- Kansas City Section

Winner: Anastasia Ivester, SMSD Biotechnology Program

Stockholm Jr. Water Prize

Winners: Ellie Miller, Olathe North

Jessica Keys, Olathe North

Sydney Rettig, Olathe North

The Society of American Military Engineers- The Greater Kansas City Post

Winners:

Ellie Green, Shawnee Mission East

Hannah McGivern & Raegan Rinehart, West Platte High School

Madeline Keating, Olathe North

Society for In Vitro Biology

Winner: Kaneikawawaiola Porter, Olathe North

Society for Science & the Public Award for Community Innovation

Winner: Kaneikawawaiola Porter, Olathe North

Science Pioneers' Legacy Award

Winner: Caleb Flesner, John Nowlin Elementary

United States Environmental Protection Agency

Winners:

Senior Division: 1st place: Madeline Keating, Olathe North

2nd Place: Ellie Miller, Olathe North

3rd Place: Kathryn Jones, Blue Valley High School

Junior Division: 1st Place: Nathanie Slemmer, Southwest Middle School

2nd place: Micaela Houlahan & Mikayla Benanti, Prince of Peace

3rd place: Carson Scheinkoenigh, Prince of Peace

Junior Honorable Mention: Alexa Crawford, Antioch Middle School

Junior Honorable Mention: William Hiles, St. Peter's

Bernie Haas Award for Innovation: Caleb Kiatoukaysi, Hocker Grove Middle School

Intermediate Division: 1st Place: Anika Brim, Highlawn Montessori

2nd place: Kiersten Munyan, Christ Lutheran

3rd place: Cooper Speaks, Fire Prairie

3rd place: Isabella Stolle, Parker Elementary

United States Metric Association

Winner: Malek Ellouz, Olathe North

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United States Air Force

Winners: Erin Smith, SMSD Biotechnology Program
Nathnael Kahassri, Liberty High School
Paul Case, Barstow

Western Chapter of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers

Winners: Liam Hyland, St. Peter's
Lindsay Chavey, SMSD Biotechnology Program
Jonathan Koob, Our Lady of the Presentation
Benjamin Ferrara, Our Lady of the Presentation

Yale Science & Engineering Association, Inc.

Winner: Nathnael Kahassai, Liberty High School

Academic Awards:

250 scientists, engineers, physicians, educators, and other Kansas City professionals volunteered their time and expertise to judge the science projects at this year's fair. Each project was given a gold, silver or bronze ribbon. The most outstanding projects in each age group and subject area received a blue rosette ribbon and will receive an **Academic Award** this afternoon.

Senior Division (Grades 9-12):

SENIOR ANIMAL SCIENCE

SPONSORED: MRI Global

Winner: 1ST Place: Malek Ellouz, Olathe North

SENIOR BEHAVIORAL & SOCIAL SCIENCES

SPONSORED: Burns & McDonnell

Winner: 1st place: Victoria Nguyen, CAPS Blue Valley

SENIOR CHEMISTRY

SPONSORED: Harcros Chemical Inc

Winner: 1ST Place: Claire Fuhlhage, Olathe North

SENIOR COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE, BIOINFORMATICS & MATHEMATICS

SPONSORED: BioKansas

Winners: 1ST Place: Shulammite Lim, Olathe North

1st Place: Paul Case, Barstow

SENIOR COMPUTER SYSTEMS, ELECTRONICS & ROBOTICS

SPONSORED: Google Fiber

Winner: 1ST Place: Erin Smith, SMSD Biotechnology Program

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SENIOR EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

SPONSORED: TERRACON

Winners: 2nd Place: Jessica Keys, Olathe North

1ST Place: Ellie Miller, Olathe North

SENIOR ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

SPONSORED: MRI Global

Winner: 1ST Place: Ellie Green, Olathe North

SENIOR ENGINEERING MECHANICS

SPONSORED: Black & Veatch

Winner: 1ST Place: Lindsey Chavey, SMSD Biotechnology Program

SENIOR MICROBIOLOGY

SPONSORED: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 2nd Place: Anastasia Ivester, SMSD Biotechnology Program

1st Place: Stuti Dalal, Shawnee Mission East

1ST Place: Cheyenne Loo, Olathe North

SENIOR MOLECULAR BIO/CHEM & HEALTH SCIENCES

SPONSORED: Labconco

Winners: 3rd Place: Imaan Azeem, Olathe North

2ND Place: Neeharika Kothapalli, Blue Valley West

1ST Place: Rachel Silverstein, Shawnee Mission West

SENIOR MATERIAL SCIENCE

SPONSORED: MRI Global

1st Place: Josephine Sweeden & Makayla Howerton, West Platte High School

SENIOR PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY

SPONSORED: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 2nd Place: Nathnael Kahassai, Liberty High School

1ST Place: Alexandria Stephenson, Olathe North

SENIOR PLANT SCIENCE

SPONSORED: MRI Global

Winner: 1ST Place: Kaneikawaiola Porter, Olathe North

Junior Division (Grades 7-8):

JUNIOR ANIMAL SCIENCE

SPONSORED: Burns & McDonnell

Winner: 1st Place: Tanner Rowe, West Platte Jr. High School

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JUNIOR BEHAVIORAL & SOCIAL SCIENCE

SPONSORED: MRI Global

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2nd place: Phoebe Monsees, Oakhill Day School

1ST Place: Tess Tappan, St. Peter's

1st Place: Sophia Martin, Oakhill Day School

JUNIOR CHEMICAL ENERGY

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winner: 1ST Place: Helen Smock, Padre Pio Academy

JUNIOR CHEMISTRY

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd place: Kathryn & Raymond Wilson, Indian Trail Middle School

2nd place: Jackson Larry, St. Peter's

1ST Place: Candence Gomendoza, Kansas City Christian School

1st Place: Nathan Tompkins, Indian Woods Middle School

JUNIOR COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE, BIOINFORMATICS & MATHEMATICS

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 1ST Place: Thomas Lushington & Frances Parker, South Middle School

JUNIOR COMPUTER SYSTEMS, ELECTRONICS & ROBOTICS

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winner: 1ST Place: Caleb Kiatoukaysi, Hocker Grove Middle School

JUNIOR EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd Place: Carson Scheinkoenigh, Prince of Peace

2nd place: Alexa Crawford, Antioch Middle School

1ST Place: Nathaniel Slemmer, Southwest Middle School

JUNIOR ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 2ND Place: Jackson Taylor & Dylan Potter, Prince of Peace

1ST Place: Abigail Gilmore, Kansas City Christian School

JUNIOR ENGINEERING MECHANICS

Sponsored: HNTB

Winners: 2ND Place: Liam Hyland, St. Peter's

1ST Place: Annika Tsay, Summit Lakes Middle School

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JUNIOR MICROBIOLOGY

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 2ND Place: Andrew Heise, St. Peter's

1ST Place: Jakob Davis, St. Peter's

JUNIOR MOLECULAR BIOLOGY & HEALTH SCIENCES

Sponsored: Catalent Pharma Solutions

Winners: 2ND Place: Sanjay Adiga, Northland Innovation Center

1ST Place: Emma Alber, Calvary Lutheran School

JUNIOR MATERIAL SCIENCE

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd place: Tyler Carlgren, Barstow

2nd place: Isabella Patton, Grandview Middle School

1ST Place: Nicholas Karr, Indian Hills Middle School

JUNIOR INVENTIONS

Sponsored: Hallmark Cards, Inc.

Winners: 2ND Place: Brayden Burrow, Kansas City Christian School

1ST Place: Felicity Braswell, Kansas City Christian School

JUNIOR PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 3RD Place: Owen Dooley, Kansas City Christian School

2ND Place: Grant Buresh Kansas City Christian School

1ST Place: Marykate Roder, St. Peter's

JUNIOR PLANT SCIENCE

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 3rd Place: Hattie McLane, St. Peter's

2ND Place: Elizabeth Salmon, St. Peter's

1ST Place: Quincy Shank, St. Peter's

1st Place: Jude Frank, Lakeside Academy

Intermediate Division (Grades 4-6):

INTERMEDIATE ANIMAL SCIENCE

Sponsored: Merck Animal Health

Winners: 2nd place: Asya Erdogan, Heritage Middle School

1ST Place: Jamie Case, Pembroke Hill

INTERMEDIATE BEHAVIORAL & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 3rd place: Nina Yun, Natalee Sandstrom & Taylor Uresti, Belinder Elementary

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2nd place: Charlotte Ecton, Highlawn Montessori

1st place: Bennett Thomas, St. Andrew the Apostle Parish School

1ST Place: Aanya Bansal & Isabel Skyfield, Belinder Elementary

INTERMEDIATE CHEMICAL ENERGY

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 2nd place: Naasif Ahmed, Daniel Volovoy & Harrison Case, Oak Hill Elementary

1ST Place: Emily Chestnut, Chestnut Christian Academy

INTERMEDIATE CHEMISTRY

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

3rd place: Josie Jones, Nola Tomasom & Ethan Boehmer, Christ Lutheran School

3rd place: Jasmine Hadley-Nelson & Jasmine Pickens, Butcher-Greene Elementary

3rd place: Halo Carter & Metziahna Edwards, Butcher-Greene Elementary

2nd place: Syliva Brown, Trailwood Elementary

2nd place: Grace Milroy, Emmerson Sullivan & Nora Hill, Belinder Elementary

2nd place: Megan Cole, Heritage Middle School

2nd Place: Logan Johansen, Our Lady of the Presentation

1ST Place: Lauren Martin, Elizabeth Stevens & Haley VanGilder, Wolf Springs Elementary

1st Place: Kyle O'Hara, Christ Preparatory Academy

1st Place: Jack Janovick, Prairie Creek Elementary

1st Place: Meghan Murphy, Liberty Middle School

1st Place: Hannah Koehler, Oak Hill Elementary

INTERMEDIATE COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE, BIOINFORMATIC & MATHEMATICS

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winner: 1ST Place: Kyanne Carlgren, Barstow

INTERMEDIATE COMPUTER SYSTEMS, ELECTRONICS & ROBOTICS

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 2nd place: Benjamin Ferrara, Our Lady of the Presentation

1ST Place: Cole Southard & Joseph Nguyen, Oakhill Day School

INTERMEDIATE EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd place: Adelaide Ecton & Suri Saidi, Highlawn Montessori

2ND Place: Matikah Cole, Martin City Elementary

1ST Place: Anika Brim, Highlawn Montessori

1st place: Tamar Reem and Carsen Richards, Prairie Star Middle School

INTERMEDIATE ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 3rd place: Rebekah Hanson, Christ Preparatory Academy

2ND Place: Isabella Stolle, Parker Elementary

1st place: Kristen Keller, Christ Preparatory Academy

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INTERMEDIATE ENGINEERING MECHANICS

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd place: Dean McNally, Martin City Middle School

2nd Place: Owen Sime, Home School

1st place: Andrew Woirhaye, Aden Dickerson & Fionn McHugh, Wolf Springs Elementary

INTERMEDIATE MICROBIOLOGY

Sponsored: CAMPBELL FAMILY FOUNDATION

Winners: 3rd place: Adelia Spidle, Fire Prairie

2nd place: Ellie Primm, Liberty Middle School

1ST Place: Bentley Siems

INTERMEDIATE MOLECULAR BIO/CHEM & HEALTH SCIENCES

Sponsored: Frontiers: University of Kansas Clinical & Translation Science Institute

Winners: 2nd place: Channing Saint Onge, Cordley Elementary

1ST Place: Tara Wolfe, Chisholm Trail Middle School

INTERMEDIATE MATERIALS SCIENCE

Sponsored: Burns & McDonnell

Winners: 3rd place: Larson Lamb & Bajj Walker, John Nowlin Elementary

2ND Place: Madie Bahr, Our Lady of the Presentation

1st place: Ben O'Dell, Fire Prairie

INTERMEDIATE INVENTIONS

Sponsored: Shook, Hardy & Bacon

Winners: 3rd place: Lillian Jenkins, John Nowlin Elementary

2nd Place: Gabriel Traub, Christ Preparatory Academy

2nd Place: Jeremiah Sleeper & Preston Schreiber, Hazel Grove Elementary

1ST Place: Tess Boyer, Christ Preparatory Academy

1st Place: Luke Stearman, Christ Preparatory Academy

INTERMEDIATE PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd place: Hannah White, White Trinitarian Academy

2nd Place: Isabella Coons, Christ Preparatory Academy

1ST Place: Sam Streiler, Hayden Falley & Alex Aires, Belinder Elementary

1st Place: Eric Hoff, Our Lady of the Presentation

INTERMEDIATE PLANT SCIENCE

Sponsored: MRI Global

Winners: 3rd place: Bella Huston, Austin Bressman & Dai'Vion Jackson, Spring Hill Elementary

2nd Place: Miles Roberts & Rowan Gibson, Belinder Elementary

1ST Place: Jacob White, White Trinitarian Academy

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PIONEERS IN SCIENCE:

These awards are given to the top five senior high projects. This award recognizes outstanding examples of student research, innovation and design. As I call your name come to the stage to receive your award. After receiving your award - please remain on stage.

Winner: Paul Case, Barstow School

Title of Project: Discovery of two new mutational signatures in head and neck squamous cell carcinoma.

Winner: Nathnael Kahassai, Liberty High School

Title of Project: Analysis of the 21 cm hydrogen line for mapping H I regions using radio astronomy

Winner: Rachel Silverstein, Shawnee Mission West

Title of Project: The use of homotypic natural killer (NK) cell NKG2D signaling in NK cell Immunotherapy

Winner: Erin Smith, Shawnee Mission West

Title of Project: A novel, differential diagnostic and monitoring tool for Parkinson's Disease

Winner: Alexandria Stephenson, Olathe North

Title of Project: The effect of geomagnetic activity in the ionosphere on GPS signal

GRAND AWARDS:

Presented to the top **three** senior projects that meet the stringent requirements for entering the INTEL International Science and Engineering Fair. Grand Award winners and their sponsoring teacher will receive an all- expense paid trip to compete at the 2018 International Fair held in Pittsburg, PA in May.

Thank you to the following sponsors for supporting these Grand Awards:

Ash Grove Foundation, Bank of Blue Valley in partnership with the Regnier Family Foundations, Garmin, Honeywell, Kansas City Area Life Sciences Institute, and Kansas City Power & Light

Winner: Rachel Silverstein

Teacher: Brenda Bott

Winner: Erin Smith

Teacher: Brenda Bott

Winner: Alexandria Stephenson

Teacher: Marsha Skoczek

Congratulations to all of our Science and Engineering Fair winners and thank you for helping to build a better future.