Dear Parents,

As you know, science, technology and engineering are basic skills expected by employers. As Twenty First Century citizens, these students will also have to make some of the toughest decisions of any generation, based on their understanding of emerging science and technology.

Science fairs involve students in the practices of science and engineering, requiring them to apply those skills to a topic of interest to them. Doing science is key to understanding science. Our school is holding a science fair on [insert date] and all students in grades [__to__/] have been invited to participate. Hands-on scientific investigation and invention are the focus at our particular fair. Over a [__]-week period, your child will design, test, analyze, and present a project that uses scientific methods to solve a problem. The sky's the limit!

Please note that the bulk of the work will be done at home. Students will be given project guidelines and timelines at school, and teachers will check in with them periodically. However, much of the work will be self-directed. Parents are encouraged to offer emotional support and reminders, but to allow children to do the projects by themselves.

We encourage you to visit the Parents Resources section of the ____ website for valuable information designed especially for parents like you.

Don't hesitate to call or email with any questions. Thank you very much in advance for your support!

Sincerely,