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### MISSION

The mission of the Mississippi Science Fest (MSF) is to promote awareness of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and workforce development through a fun, hands-on event for all ages.

### GOALS

- Create a first-class, hands-on experience for children and families to explore STEM
- Introduce participants to real world scientists from industries in Mississippi
- Inspire wonder and curiosity in participants of all ages
- Promote STEM subjects and increase science literacy
- Develop partnerships among museums, universities, businesses, and other cultural leaders

## MISSISSIPPI SCIENCE FEST EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

I would like to be an exhibitor at:  Agriculture & Forestry Museum  Mississippi Children's Museum  
 MDWFP's Natural Science Museum  Sports Hall of Fame

Participating Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(as you want it to appear in print)*

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(street)*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*(city)* \_\_\_\_\_ *(state)* \_\_\_\_\_ *(zip)*

### Primary Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Select your exhibition & setup date(s) & time(s):

- Field Trip Friday, September 15 (Exhibition time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm)  
Setup Time:  Thursday, September 14 (2:00 - 4:00 pm) or  Friday, September 15 (8:00 - 9:00 am)
- Festival Saturday, September 16 (Exhibition time: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm)  
Setup Time:  Friday, September 15 (1:30 - 4:00 pm) or  Saturday, September 16 (8:00 - 9:00 am)

### GUIDELINES FOR MISSISSIPPI SCIENCE FEST

Educational focus of your activity:
Description of your hands on activity:
Facility needs of your company during the festival: Example: number of tables & chairs, electrical, etc. ___ tables ___ chairs ___ Do you need electricity? other _____

To register as an exhibitor, please complete this form and return it to the museum contact (listed on front) where you would like to be an exhibitor by August 1. Thank you for your interest in the Mississippi Science Fest!



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#### Agriculture & Forestry Museum

Contact: Justin Nipper  
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#### Mississippi Children's Museum

Contact: Monique Ealey  
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Jackson, MS 39202  
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Fax: 601.709.2603  
Email: monique@mcm.ms

#### MDWFP Natural Science

Contact: Nicole Smith  
2148 Riverside Drive  
Jackson, Mississippi 39202  
Phone: 601.576.6000  
Email: nicole.smith@mmns.ms.gov

#### Sports Hall of Fame

Contact: Andrea Patterson  
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## FAQS FOR EXHIBITORS

### MISSISSIPPI SCIENCE FEST

#### When is the Mississippi Science Fest?

- Mississippi Science Fest will be held from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at all four museums in the LeFleur Museum District. Exhibitors are also invited to participate in Field Trip Friday, held on Friday, September 15, 2023 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

#### What is the goal of the Mississippi Science Fest?

- The goal of the Mississippi Science Fest is to create an inclusive environment that inspires children and families to come together to experience hands-on activities based in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) concepts to uncover possible careers for children in Mississippi.

#### What is a hands-on activity?

- A hands-on activity involves touching with your hands in active playing and learning, such as building a robot with legos.

#### How much does it cost?

- There is no charge to have a table.
- Your only expense is the supplies you need to run your hands-on activities.

#### Can children participate?

- Children can be a table vendor but must be able to teach STEM concepts through hands-on activities. All children vendors must be approved by the primary contact for the museum.

#### Why participate?

- Spark an interest in young children about careers that can impact your workplace in years to come. Mississippi needs leaders in the STEM industries to help students gain excitement and interest in what you do for a living and for the state of Mississippi.
- Serve your community in a fun and engaging way.
- Help the LeFleur Museum District start the conversation about the importance of STEM education throughout our state.