71st Annual 2026 Louisiana Region V Science & Engineering Fair

FEBRUARY 12, 2026

McNeese Recreation Center 4150 Ieyoub Family Dr, Lake Charles, LA 70605

Registration Closes January 27, 2026
All registration is online. All uploaded forms must be in PDF format.

ENTRY FEE (Each Student) \$ 25.00	ENTRY FEE (Each Student)	\$ 25.00
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There can be no more than 2 students per project.

Projects that have more than one student, (formerly known as "Team Projects") need to be categorized in a regular non-team category, based on discipline.

In addition, each student will have to pay an entry fee of \$25.00, for a total of \$50.00 for teams.

2026 Region 5 Science Fair Schedule

Date of Fair	FEBRUARY 12, 2026
Location	McNeese State University Recreation Center 4150 Ieyoub Family Dr, Lake Charles, LA 70605
ELEMENTARY (4th-5th Grade)	<u>Set-up/Check-in:</u> 08:00 AM - 08:45 AM <u>Judging:</u> 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM <u>Booth Activities:</u> 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
JUNIOR (6th-8th Grade)	<u>Set-up/Check-in:</u> 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM <u>Booth Activities:</u> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM <u>Judging:</u> 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
SENIOR (9th-12th Grade)	<u>Set-up/Check-in:</u> 08:45 AM - 09:15 AM <u>Booth Activities:</u> 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM <u>Judging:</u> 10:15 AM - 11:15 AM
PUBLIC VIEWING	1:30 PM - 5:00 PM
AWARDS CEREMONY (All divisions)	5:00 PM McNeese State University Recreation Center
All projects n	nust be picked up following the Awards Ceremony.

Parents: You may sit in the bleachers during judging if space permits. Traveling Tom's Coffee Truck will be parked outside to purchase refreshments. There will be no other concessions or drinks available for purchase. Please feel free to leave after judging and booth activities to grab lunch and relax before the Awards Ceremony.

Awards: Junior and Senior Division 1st and 2nd place winners will automatically move on to compete at the **Louisiana State Science & Engineering Fair held at LSU on April 7-9, 2026.** These students will need to visit their website to register, but all paperwork will follow them digitally through the Zfairs platform. If forms are incomplete, you will be disqualified by the state.

Senior Division Best of Show and Best of Senior Division earn airfare, hotel, and registration, plus food expenses—an estimated \$4000.00 prize package—to attend ISEF, courtesy of the Region V Science & Engineering Fair. These two students must stay for other paperwork regarding the International Science Fair. The Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) 2026 will take place in Phoenix, Arizona, May 9-15, 2026, at the Phoenix Convention Center. This is the premier global pre-college science competition for high school students, showcasing innovative projects across 22 STEM categories. If forms are incomplete, you will be disqualified.

All judging is final. There is no viewing of score sheets.

REMEMBER:

2026 REGISTRATION IS ONLINE. LINKS ON WEBSITE MAIN HOME PAGE

lasciencefair.org

ALL REQUIRED FORMS FROM ONLINE REGISTRATION MUST BE PRINTED OUT AND MUST ACCOMPANY STUDENT PROJECT AT THE REGION V FAIR.

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All coordinators are reminded to observe regulations regarding projects that involve people, animals, plants, and / or chemicals. If you have any questions contact the Regional Fair Director

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Coordinators of school fairs: Please ensure your fairs take place and the online registration is complete by January 27th. (unless cleared by the Regional Fair Director)

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