

GSEF REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS



Congratulations on being selected from your Regional Fair to compete in the 77th Georgia Science & Engineering Fair, April 3-5, 2025. By advancing to GSEF, your achievements and hard work have earned you a place among the top young STEM researchers in the state. At GSEF, you will have the opportunity to share your research with leading scientists and engineers, meet students from across the state who share your love of STEM, and compete for awards and honors.

Your next step is to **secure your spot** by **registering for GSEF**. Full registration is required for eligibility.

To register for GSEF, complete **all three steps below** (in any order) **within THREE calendar days** after your Regional Fair.

1 Complete the online GSEF Project Entry Form



Within 3 days after your Regional Fair, complete the online **GSEF Project Entry Form** at:

bit.ly/gsef2025projectentryform

Note the following before beginning the form:

PROJECT TITLE

Your project title may be **no longer than 65 characters, INCLUDING punctuation**; no exceptions. Every space, hyphen, period, etc. counts as one character each. The title entered in the Project Entry Form will be published in the program booklet and other materials. It is OK for the title on your exhibit or other documents to be slightly different from the published title.

PROJECT CATEGORY

See the full list of [GSEF Project Categories](#). GSEF might not use the same categories as your Regional Fair. **Double-check your category selection in the Project Entry Form, as it cannot be changed after submission.**

TEAM PROJECTS

Teams should only submit ONE Project Entry Form. The Team Leader should be the one to submit. Team Leaders will be asked to enter **name, address, email, phone, grade, gender, citizenship, and emergency contact** information for ALL team members, so sure the Team Leader has this information before beginning the form.

ABSTRACT & ABSTRACT TEXT

The Project Entry Form requires you to **both** 1) upload a PDF of your [Official GSEF Abstract Form](#) **and** 2) enter the narrative text from your abstract form in a text-only field. You may copy-and-paste the text from your Official Abstract Form into the text field. Max 250 words.

2 Submit the Registration Fee (\$49) online or to Regional Fair Director.

The GSEF registration fee is **\$49 per student** (not per project). Check with your school/district about whether they cover this fee.

TO PAY BY CHECK: Make payable to "**University of Georgia**" and write the **name(s) of the student(s) covered by payment** in the memo field. ****GIVE CHECK TO REGIONAL FAIR DIRECTOR.**** Do not send directly to GSEF office, or it may not be applied correctly.

TO PAY BY CARD: Pay online at bit.ly/gsef2025payment. Provide receipt to Regional Fair Director as proof of payment.

3 Submit Participation Agreement(s) and Research Forms to your Regional Fair Director.



Within 3 days after your Regional Fair, submit the signed **GSEF Participation Agreement(s)** to your Regional Fair, as well as any required **Research Forms** they do not already have on file. The Regional Fair Director will forward these items to GSEF.

GSEF PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

A completed [GSEF Participation Agreement](#) is required for every student (not just Team Leaders). Must be signed by parent/guardian.

RESEARCH FORMS

Your Regional Fair will have some or all of these [forms](#) on file but will let you know if you need to submit additional items. Your Regional Fair will forward these to GSEF .

Required for ALL projects:

- Forms Cover Sheet
- Official GSEF Abstract Form
- Form 1 - Checklist for Adult Sponsor
- Form 1A - Student Checklist
- Research Plan/Project Summary
- Form 1B - Approval Form (ONE PER STUDENT)

Submit *copies* of forms, and bring another set of copies to GSEF to display at your exhibit. **Keep the originals in a safe place at home or school.**

Also required for specific types of projects (see [rules](#)):

- Form 1C - Regulated Research Institution
- Form 2 - Qualified Scientist
- Form 3 - Risk Assessment
- Form 4 - Human Participants
- Form 5A/5B - Vertebrate Animals
- Form 6A - Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents
- Form 6B - Human/Animal Tissue
- Form 7 - Continuation Project

Be sure to check out the **GSEF Event Handbook** for important information, including:

- ▶ Info for Supporting Adults
- ▶ Attendance Policy
- ▶ Event Schedule
- ▶ Common Display & Safety Violations
- ▶ What to Bring to GSEF
- ▶ Judging Criteria

[Go to Event Handbook](#)



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