



The Lambton County Science Fair is going virtual for 2021!

The online system will be extremely similar to what you will find at the following link: <https://projectboard.world/ysc/home?r=j7o65>. Please look around on the site for how projects from other cities were prepared last year. This portal will be used by most regional science fair committees across Canada and also be used for the Canada Wide Science Fair where the top 5 finalists from the Lambton County Fair will compete.

You will be required to upload a brief video of you discussing your project, the basics of your experiment that you would normally place on your display board and a report with all the details of your experiment put together.

It is expected that the portal will be open by the beginning of March. Please check the website and Facebook page for updates. Online registration to obtain basic information about you and your project closes on March 26 at 5 pm. You will be able to continue working on your online project until April 5 at 5 pm. **Please start uploading your work on your online project as soon as possible, as it will take time for you to complete.** Whatever is completed in your online project on April 5 at 5 pm will be activated and cannot be changed. Please do not email to get an extension as once the system goes live, as it cannot be changed.

On Tuesday, April 6, all online projects will be live and will be able to be viewed by anyone visiting the site.

A preliminary judging team will review all online projects and will select the projects being considered for bronze, silvers and gold awards in each age group for judging interviews. Judging interviews will use Microsoft Teams and will take place on Saturday, April 10, between 9 am and 4 pm. You will be notified on Friday, April 9, no later than 8 pm of your interview time. Judging interviews will consist exactly 20 minutes with 15 minutes of presentation and 5 minutes of questions. A final round of judging will take place on Sunday, April 11, between 10 am and 2:30 pm (if required) to determine Canada Wide Science Fair participants (grades 7 – 12). These individuals will be notified no later than 8 pm on Saturday, April 10, of their Sunday interview time.

Interview times cannot be changed, so if you enter an online project, please keep yourself available during these times. All winners will be announced no later than Sunday, April 11, at 6 pm. There will be cash prizes for bronze, silver and gold and the top 5 projects will participate in the virtual Canada Wide Science Fair in mid-May.

Timeline

March 1 – Online project portal opens – watch our Facebook page and website for details

March – Start work on uploading your project online

March 26 – Registration closes to any new students at 5 pm but you can continue to work on your registered online project

April 5 – Project uploading closes and the system will no longer accept changes to registered projects at 5 pm

April 9 – You will receive an email by 8 pm if you have a judging time on Saturday, April 10

April 10 – Microsoft Teams judging interviews take place from 9 am to 4 pm

April 10 – Grade 7 – 12 projects considered for Best in Fair and Canada Wide Science Fair will be notified by email by 8 pm if they have a judging time on Sunday, April 11

April 11 – Microsoft Teams judging interviews take place from 10 am to 2:30 pm

April 11 – Award winners will be published by 6 pm. Full winner list will be on Facebook but you will be able to see a ribbon (no details) on your online project.

For any questions, please Lambton.county@youthscience.ca