



**State Science + Technology Fair of Iowa (SSTFI)
A Youth Science Research Conference
March 30-31, 2017 at Hilton Coliseum**



Impact 2016

Student Research Sees Steady Growth in Iowa

800 students are expected to exhibit.

This is another expected 10% increase from 2016 when 742 students participated.

International Reach

Additional funding in 2016 allowed the SSTFI to send two additional projects to the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF). The SSTFI was represented by five top projects.

Two of the Iowa Finalists placed fourth in category at ISEF demonstrating competitiveness at the international level. This is a credit to students, parents, teachers, SSTFI judges, staff, and ISU research mentors. SSTFI and all partners share a passion for student's research.

Student Quote

"The whole experience was one of the most amazing experiences I've ever had," said Lydia Heald, Van Buren High School. "The Intel ISEF brings together all aspects of STEM, which I think is a very important part of our education."

The SSTFI serves as a platform for student researchers (grades 6 – 12) to meet with professional researchers and communicate their findings and understanding of the research process. The SSTFI is an affiliate of the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair.

Program Description

The State Science + Technology Fair of Iowa celebrates 60 years in 2017. The Fair continues to give pre-collegiate researchers an outlet to speak and interact directly with professional scientists and researchers and to be rewarded for exemplary research.

The SSTFI benefits Iowa by creating and fostering among youth an interest in STEM research. Iowa has been active in addressing the need to keep student science research relevant.

SSTFI distributed nearly \$50,000 in scholarships and awards at the 2016 Fair.

To make a continuing impact on more Iowa schools, the SSTFI was one of twelve STEM providers in the first round of the Iowa STEM Scale-up grant initiative. The grant enabled the SSTFI to educate more teachers and students in STEM research methods through personal connections and webinar trainings.

Reengineered to Serve a Growing Iowa Youth Audience

The SSTFI has been reengineered to accommodate the record-breaking number of students participating. The research conference will be divided into a Senior High Event and a Junior High Event.

Benefits include:

- Ability to host more research projects
- Additional research categories and award opportunities for junior high students
- Increasing time for judge and student interactions
- Adding research tours and workshops
- Hosting a media day for top senior high students
- Providing volunteer opportunities for senior high students

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For more than 60 years the SSTFI has impacted the lives and educations of thousands of students - help us impact thousands more!

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Event Title Sponsor:

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- Opportunity to give comments at the award ceremony and congratulate award winners

Sponsor Iowa's premiere science research experience for youth!

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Iowa State University Foundation (SSTFI), 2505 University Boulevard, P.O. Box 2230, Ames, IA 50010, (866) 419-6768.

*Sponsorships must be received by March 1, 2017 to be included in program and other printing.

Benefits* for ALL Sponsorship Levels:

- Recognition in SSTFI printed materials – including the event program
- Recognition through the SSTFI's social media network
- Recognition on the SSTFI website www.sciencefairiowa.org and in other publicity associated with the event
- Pre- and post-fair press releases
- Opportunity to be featured in the SSTFI sponsor video
- Recognition during the award ceremony
- The satisfaction of knowing that you are making a difference in the lives of young people and helping them make advancements in STEM areas

