

2018 Champaign County Science Day Results

On Thursday, February 22, 2018, the 5th Annual Champaign County Science Day was held at Urbana University, for Champaign County students, grades 5-12. Thirty-two students from Urbana Schools and Graham Middle School completed science research projects and presented their findings to area professionals, researchers, and educators. Students, parents and teachers were welcomed to Urbana University by Dr. Kody Kuehnl, Dean of Arts & Science & Technology and STEM Director.

This event offered students a venue that promotes the development of creative thinking, research and writing skills and career motivation toward the sciences, all in one program. Project topics may be in biology, chemistry, botany, space & earth sciences, computers, zoology, microbiology, biochemistry, physics, engineering, mathematics, medicine & health and behavioral & social science.

Eleven students received the highest rating of “Superior”. Students receiving Superiors were: from Urbana High School – Zachariah Pence, Noah Todd, Stephanie Selvaggio, Aryn Upchurch; from Urbana Middle School – Joseph Lightle, Kalila Lightle; from Urbana East Elementary – Samuel Wilhelm; from Graham Middle School – Grace Tyler, Ethan McLean, Chase Greek, Cooper Strader. These students are eligible to go to the District Science Day held at Edison State Community College in Piqua on Saturday, March 10th. Students receiving a superior at District may go on to the State contest held at The Ohio State University in May.

From Graham Middle School and in 1st place (\$100) was Grace Tyler. In second and third places were Ethan McLean and Cooper Strader, both of Graham Middle School (\$50 each). Additional awards included:

Boonshoft Museum of Discovery One Year Family Membership Ethan McLean
100 Proof Press - Best Project in Chemistry or Energy \$50 Chase Greek – Graham MS
Stonyridge Veterinary Service - Best Project in Biology or Environmental Science \$50
Cooper Strader – Graham MS
Premier Health - Best Project in Behavioral Science or Medicine & Health \$50
Grace Tyler – Graham MS
Stonyridge Veterinary Service - Best Project in Physics, Engineering or Material Science
\$50 Zachariah Pence / Noah Todd – Urbans HS
Stonyridge Veterinary Service Award for Best Presentation of Data \$75
Bronwyn Walker – Urbana HS
Stonyridge Veterinary Service Award for Best Abstract \$75
Samuel Wilhelm – Urbana East Elementary

Event sponsors included Cargill, Premier Health, Stonyridge Veterinary Service of Troy, 100 Proof Press of St. Paris, Boonshoft Museum of Discovery and Urbana University. Area professionals and community members volunteered to judge the projects, aided by area science teachers. Anyone with questions about the science fair program should contact Dr. Martin E. English, 1470 W. Main Street, Tipp City, OH 45371, 667-3217, or email: info@ohioumvsd.com.