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January 2, 2012

Dear Science Fair Judge:

The Hillsborough County School Board and the Florida Foundation for Future Scientists extend a cordial invitation to you to serve as a judge for the Junior/Senior division of the 32nd Annual Hillsborough Regional S.T.E.M. Fair. The 2012 Regional Fair will be held at the Tampa Convention Center again this year for all grades K-12 on February 7th and 8th, 2012. Judging for Junior/Senior Division will occur on Tuesday, February 7th between the hours of 11:30 and 4:00 p.m.

The projects at the Regional Fair represent students' work which placed in a school Science Fair. These students are looking forward to the regional competition, and appreciate the time and effort each person donates to make it a success.

As you know, judges are the most important factor in a successful Regional Fair because judging is the fundamental learning experience for our student participants. We hope you can help us provide a quality experience for our young people by donating your time and expertise in this worthwhile endeavor during the afternoon of February 7th, 2012. Your help as a Regional Judge will assist us to select twenty-six students who will represent Hillsborough County in the 2012 State Science Fair where over \$200,000 worth of scholarships and awards will be given.

The organizational meeting on Tuesday, February 7th for Junior or Senior Division Judges (Grades 6-12) will begin at approximately 11:00 a.m. A light lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and projects will be judged from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Please respond via email to Dena Pisaneschi by January 20, 2012, if you are willing to be one of our Regional judges on February 7th. If you have any questions or know of anyone else that would be a quality judge for this event, please email Dena Pisaneschi at dena.pisaneschi@sdhc.k12.fl.us **If you cannot participate this year, be sure to reply if you would like to be asked again next year.**

Sincerely,

Dena