Affiliated Sponsor Award judges represent sponsors from the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF), a program of the Society for Science & the Public. PRSEF is an ISEF affiliated regional science fair. Affiliated Sponsor Awards are presented at PRSEF based on criteria received from ISEF and their sponsors. For example, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) provides certificates to the projects that emphasize NOAA’s mission to understand and predict changes in Earth’s environment and conserve and manage coastal and marine resources to meet our Nation’s economic, social, and environmental needs. Affiliated Sponsor Award judges must be available virtually from 8AM-2PM on the day of the fair (March 24, 2021).

This year, we will need Affiliated Sponsor Award judges to judge student projects and select award winners on behalf of the following organizations:

- American Meteorological Society
- American Psychological Association
- ASM Materials Education Foundation
- Association for Women Geoscientists
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Mu Alpha Theta
- NASA Earth System Science Award
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Office of Naval Research - U.S. Navy/U.S. Marine Corps
- Ricoh USA, Inc.
- Society for In Vitro Biology
- U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)
- U.S. Metric Association
- U.S. Stockholm Junior Water Prize
- United States Air Force
- Yale Science and Engineering Association
Affiliated Sponsor Award judges should have some familiarity and/or experience in the award area that they would like to represent (i.e. undergraduate or graduate degree in marine science or work/research experience in wildlife conservation or education would suffice to judge on behalf of NOAA). Affiliated Sponsor Award judges will receive award rubrics, as well as, access to student project abstracts to review in advance of the fair. Each judge is welcome to select up to fifteen student projects to interview on fair day. Award winners will be notified on March 25, 2021 during the virtual award ceremony.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in judging projects on behalf of any of the sixteen afore mentioned organizations, please register as an "Affiliated Sponsor Judge" [here](#) by Monday, February 22. If you know which organization(s) you would like to represent and judge projects on behalf of, please e-mail your list of organizations to myself, Ms. Lorren Kezmoh at [KezmohL@CarnegieScienceCenter.org](mailto:KezmohL@CarnegieScienceCenter.org), after you have registered to be an Affiliated Sponsor Judge.

If you have any questions regarding the Pittsburgh Regional Science & Engineering Fair or the Affiliated Sponsor Awards, please do not hesitate to reach out to me!

I hope that you will consider joining us this March as an Affiliated Sponsor Award Judge!😊

Kindest Regards,
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