

# ST. JACOBI LUTHERAN SCHOOL

January 19, 2010

Re: 2010 Social Studies Fair

Dear Parents:

On **Thursday, April 29, 2010**, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, St. Jacobi School will be having a Social Studies Fair. Projects should be brought to the school on **Monday, April 26, 2010**. Students in grades 6-8 are encouraged to enter their projects in the WISCO Social Studies Fair immediately after our social studies display.

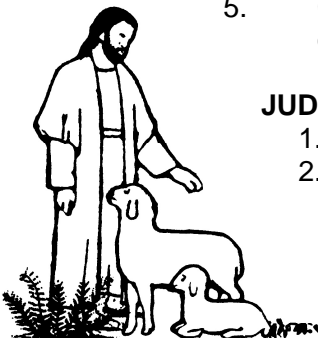
All children in grades 2-8 are to prepare and enter one project for the coming fair. Mrs. Hauer will select display items that Kindergarten has done during the year. First grade will be assigned a part of a group project selected by Mrs. Tellier.

The fair entries will be divided into four categories which are as follows:

**Civics and Government**  
**People, Customs and Ways of Life**  
**History**  
**Geography**

## TIPS FOR DISPLAY OF PROJECTS:

1. Remember to show documentation for all sources used in a bibliography for your project (including CD Rom and/or Internet references). For grades 6-8, this is required.
2. Your purpose and objective for your project selection should be turned in to your teacher prior to doing your research so that he or she can guide you where you may need help.
3. You might want to use a backdrop to help display your information and materials, however, a backdrop is not required.
4. Backdrops may be purchased at the bookstore.
5. Computer pictures are acceptable. Written information should be in your own words, not printed directly from computer/source book.



## JUDGING CRITERIA:

1. Is the purpose clearly stated?
2. How well does the project fit the concept being explained?
3. Did the project communicate the purpose clearly and precisely?
4. Difficulty of project. Appropriate to grade level.

5. Documentation: Is it in student's work?
  - a. Does it show the student did it?
  - b. Does it make sense?
  - c. Did the student understand the project?
  - d. Acknowledge parental help/involvement if used
6. Originality, creativity.
7. Neatness. Is it attractive and clear?
8. Spelling, grammar, writing skills.
9. Good organization of materials.
10. Bibliography of sources. Is information accurate?

The following is a sample of a judging sheet:

### ST. JACOBI SOCIAL STUDIES FAIR

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

		Ex.	Good	Average	Fair	Poor	Missing
1.	Display of information (attractiveness)	5	4	3	2	1	0
2.	Difficulty and originality	5	4	3	2	1	0
3.	Organization (How well is the project organized to communicate its purpose?)	5	4	3	2	1	0
4.	Written communication of topic (clearly stated): Topic Purpose Procedure Conclusion	5	4	3	2	1	0
5.	Bibliography or sources of information (only grades 6-8)	5	4	3	2	1	0
<b>Total Score</b>		_____					

Scoring Table	Grades 6-8	Grades 3-5
First place..... Blue	23-25	18-20
Second place..... Red	20-22	15-17
Third place..... White	17-19	12-14
Participant ..... Green	0-16	0-11

Comments:

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#### TIME TO SPEND ON THE PROJECT:

Participants should allow about two months time to complete the project. It will take that long to plan the project, gather information, and do an adequate job on the display.

Projects will be identified with a tag that our school will provide. Categories and grade level should be filled in, but **names will be left off until after the judging takes place**. Grades K-2 will receive participation ribbons. Grades 3-8 will be awarded first, second, third, or participation ribbons. Arrangements should be made to transport grades 6-8 projects to Wisconsin Lutheran High School on Friday, April 30, 2010.

A few general rules about the social studies projects are mentioned below:

1. Projects made at home or at school are eligible to be entered. The school will not furnish materials.
2. While parents may lend their encouragement and advice, **the students should do all the physical work on their projects**.
3. **No** kits should be entered in the fair. All projects are to be original.
4. If a student is uncertain about the appropriateness of his project, he should check with his teacher or the principal.

Enclosed are project ideas. These are only suggestions. There are many ideas beyond this list.

Yours in Christian Education,

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Principal

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