

## Youth Science Canada launches Online STEM Fair

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**Edmonton, AB, April 15, 2020** ? Canada-Wide Science Fair 2020 in Edmonton, Alberta and most of the 103 regional science fairs across the country may have been cancelled, but the passion for discovery and innovation amongst Canadian youth will not be denied. Youth Science Canada (YSC), organizers of the national event since its inception in 1962, announce today the launch of **YSC Online STEM Fair**, a showcase for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) projects that reflect the curiosity and creativity of Canadian youth. The online event will be live for the public to explore starting Tuesday, May 19.

?The physical events may have been cancelled, but the work of this country?s curious and talented youth continues,? says Reni Barlow, executive director of Youth Science Canada. ?Members of the STEM community have shown the depth of their commitment to engaging and supporting Canadian youth as they continue to tackle the challenges of today and tomorrow. We could not be prouder of everyone?s efforts and invite them to unite, next month, on this new and exciting online platform.?

Developed by engineering.com [1], the site will feature STEM projects submitted by students in grades 7-12, along with opportunities for STEM-related companies, organizations, agencies and institutions to engage visiting students, teachers, parents and the public through the virtual STEM Expo. A bilingual YSC Online STEM Fair student visitor activity guide will be made available as of May 1, to help navigate the event and enhance at-home learning programs.

?Youth Science Canada?s network of regional science fairs plays a critical role in inspiring the STEM leaders and inventors of tomorrow.? said Frank Baldesarra CEO of engineering.com. ?Although these unprecedented times have created many new challenges, our entire team is very proud to be working with Reni and his team as we all adjust to new ways of working together. This partnership will help students across Canada to continue to learn, socially engage online and very importantly stay positive about their STEM passions and futures.?

With the support of Youth Science Canada?s National Science Fair Network, as well as partners like NSERC PromoScience, Intact Financial Corporation and Cenovus Energy, YSC Online STEM Fair will provide participants with feedback, opportunities for mentorship, as well as virtual recognition for outstanding projects.

YSC Online STEM Fair is open to any student in Canada from grades 7 to 12 (secondary 1 to Cégep in Quebec), looking to

showcase their ideas and discoveries in a time when innovation is more needed and perhaps more valued than ever.

The new online experience is expected to launch for project entries and STEM Expo exhibitors in Early May.

#### **About Youth Science Canada**

Established in 1962, Youth Science Canada fuels the curiosity of Canadian youth through science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) projects. The registered charity works to ensure that Canadian youth have the capacity and skills to generate and answer questions and identify and solve problems. YSC also engages leading public and private sector organizations in the development of a national STEM network of Canadian youth. For more information, please visit [youthscience.ca](https://youthscience.ca) [2].

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