

Kentucky American Water Salutes the 2026 Participants and Winners of District Science Fair in Fayette County

Lexington, KY., (Feb. 10, 2026) – A total of 552 Fayette County public, private and home-schooled students in grades four through 12 participated in the 41st annual Kentucky American Water Science Fair coordinated by Fayette County Public Schools at Frederick Douglass High School in Lexington on Saturday, Feb. 7. The event included 501 projects judged by approximately 202 professionals as well as hands-on, educational exhibits and demonstrations collectively known as the Discovery Zone.

A total of 127 student projects received awards with six projects receiving special recognition from Kentucky American Water for demonstrating achievement in water science projects. *(See winners list that accompanies this release.)*

Kentucky American Water External Affairs Lead Ellen Williams and Fayette County Public Schools Superintendent Demetrus Liggins presented awards to students.

Judges evaluated the student projects according to the following categories: animal science, behavioral and social science, biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology, chemistry, computer science, earth and planetary science, energy and transportation, engineering, environmental science, medicine and health science, microbiology, physics and astronomy and plant science.

Kentucky American Water initiated the science fair for junior high school students in 1985 as part of the company's centennial celebration. The next year, the company joined with Fayette County Public Schools in coordinating the event. The fair has been expanded twice: first in 1989 to include elementary school science projects, and again in 1991 to include high school projects.

All students who received awards at the district competition will advance to the Central Kentucky Regional Science and Engineering Fair to be held on March 7 at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School in Lexington.

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