**Science Fair Schedule Proposal**

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| **Possible Dates** | **Location** |
| February 7, 2023  (Tuesday) | Mezzanine  Lobby of gym  Crown court  Walking track  **Possibly along hallways in E-wing?** |

**Schedule**

Students submit science fair boards on the day prior to the fair.

**Fair day:**

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| **Student Schedule** | |  | **Judge Schedule** | |
| **Time** | **Activity** | **Time** | **Activity** |
| 8-8:55 | A Period |  | |
| 8:30-9 | Arrive  Meet with coordinator(s) |
| 9-9:55 | 1st Period | 9-11 | Judge posters  (without kids present) |
| 10-10:55 | 2nd Period |
| 10:55-11:25 | Lunch | 11-12 | Deliberate  Lunch Break |
| 11:25-12 | Retrieve boards  Set up at designated table |
| 12-2 | Judging session | 12-2 | Judging session  (with kids) |
| 2-2:20 | 4th Period (?) | 2-2:30 | Deliberation |
| 2:25-3:20 | 5th Period  (Select students will need to return for finals. Probably will be fewer than 20) | 2:30-3 | Finals  (follow up with top projects to determine ranking) |
| 3:30 | End |

**Logistics**

* Gym use would be isolated to 10-3 (set up 10-11, use 11-2, teardown 2-3).
* Proposing that students be allowed to partner this year. Allowing students to do the project in partners will almost half the number of projects to:
  + set up for (tables, chairs), and
  + find judges for.
    - Middle school sits at 265 students right now; not all will choose to partner, so we can probably expect around 150 projects.
* Projects can be grouped by category (animal sciences, behavior/social sciences, engineering technology, etc.), allowing judges to specialize on a category.
  + If we do this, we would also need to designate projects by grade level (colored paper, or obvious label on poster?), as we choose top 3 projects per grade.
* One main scheduling concern is that we may need one of the gyms. We would want to work around the basketball schedule as much as possible, mostly avoiding home games.
  + Per Bruce Fowler: potential to host Basketball District Tournament Feb. 6, 7, and/or 9 (hosting depends on wins, and it could be all, some, or none of those dates). If we host, he wants the Arena set up for the games throughout that school day, but he did say we could use Crown Court, lobbies, walking track, and mezzanine. Mezzanine would need to be broken down at 2 PM. This is likely still doable, especially if we give kids the option to partner on the project.