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Dear Principal

Eskom Expo for Young Scientist is committed to still be involved in your school and allow your learners to enter their projects as always. Even if it means in a new format during the lockdown period that Covid-19 brought our schools to a halt.

We would like to offer our service in a different way as we have resources that can benefit your learners. All resources are free and online available as it includes Academic work and Expo Projects for Young Scientists.

General information

- Expo for Young Scientists is a non-profit organisation, established in 1980 to encourage the youth of South Africa to participate in STEMI activities and to promote an interest in these areas and develop scientific skills.
- We also aim to create opportunities for young students to develop and pursue their interests in an encouraging and rewarding environment, and to improve tertiary education prospects.
- Eskom Expo operates in 35 regions around South Africa.
- We have more than 3,500 volunteers around the country.
- There are various levels of participation: District and Regional level. If selected, learners can participate in our International Science Fair where they can win prizes such as laptops, bursaries and cash prizes.

How to get involved

- Learners can develop their research projects and enter one of our district or regional expos.
- Teacher can get their learners to start their projects. We have all the resources available to be used.
- Academics, professionals, teachers and scientists can mentor learners to improve their research skills and can also judge at our expos.

Eskom Expo online resources

- Eskom Expo has embarked on a two-week online programme assisting learners with how to start and execute a scientific research project.
- This process is not linear, but is iterative, that is learners can move back and forth between the steps. Learners can take part by visiting www.exposcience.co.za.

Stats

- In 2019, Eskom Expo reached 14,406 learners around the country
- Number of Boys: 5,823
- Number of Girls: 8,583

How to Enter:

Phase 1:

Log onto the Website and show your interest. You can register your name and school and important that you show your interest in entering our Eskom Expo for Young Scientists Website and indicate that you are interested in entering your project. (At this stage you don't have to provide any evidence or even category or name of Project). Just show that you are interested. Just enter your Personal Details. Register on: classroom.google.com

Phase 2:

Log onto Website and check your details and enter a Project. This can still be adjusted, till you are sure about your project; changes can be made as you are going on with process. Make use of recourses on google classroom. Enter your project: Theme or Name of project and your own details. Here we have 3 different steps to comply with, till your Final Submission. You can visit google classroom as often as you wish and make use of supporting material and resources.

Phase 3:

This is where you will get feedback from teachers and mentors for your work done so far and you can make adjustments to your project. Make use of google classroom as often as possible and ask for help and guidance. We call it a **Rolling Assessment process**.

Phase 4:

Enter your final Project: Entries will be judged, and selection will be made for ISF entries. This can be at the end of year or even be January 2021. (The Board have to make final decision as when ISF will take place)

As always there will be lots of prizes to be won and our learners can benefit from this. Make sure your teachers and learners visit our google classroom and see the helpful resources made available to assist them. Together we can overcome the challenges and still make 2020 a successful year.

If you find any difficulties in registering or indicating that you show interest, please contact me or any of our RSFD's in our four Regions:

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Kind Regards

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