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Community School District 28**

**Public School 144 - The School of Arts and Technology**

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Dear Families,

Below is a basic framework for our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Halls of Science event at PS 144Q. The lower grades, Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> grade, will complete their projects as a class. For 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades, we will follow the timeline below for the “Halls of Science” projects:

January 13<sup>th</sup> – January 22<sup>nd</sup>:

Brainstorming list of topics and deciding on materials needed.

Material list is sent home to parents by January 15<sup>th</sup> to be brought in on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Also, this week, students will design a rubric for their project.

January 25<sup>th</sup> – January 29<sup>th</sup>:

Working on Experimentation / Research (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

February 1<sup>st</sup> - February 5<sup>th</sup>:

Presentation of project (in class)

February 5<sup>th</sup> – February 8<sup>th</sup>:

Final touches and set up of display

February 8<sup>th</sup>:

Night visitation 7pm – 8pm

February 9<sup>th</sup>:

Day visitation is open from 8:30 – 9:30 am.

During the night and day visitation, students will demonstrate and share their projects.

Projects must be home before the February recess.

Notes:

- ❖ Classroom teachers will choose three categories related to their curriculum (Scope and Sequence). From the three categories, students will have a choice of projects/experiments.

- ❖ Students who would like to explore another science topic not related to the above-stated categories may do so at home and receive extra-credit for their work.
- ❖ Students who have already started on a project will have their project accepted as their “Halls of Science” project and receive extra credit.
- ❖ Parental volunteers will be welcomed during these three weeks of experimentation and research in school.
- ❖ Students will use the boards to depict their projects as in the past. The school will also sell the boards during a designated period to be announced.

Happy Experimenting!

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