



## Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development and Labour

### MEMO

**FROM** : Chief Education Officer

**TO** : Principals  
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Deputy Chief Education Officer-Instruction  
District Education Officers I-VIII  
Education Officer- CAMDU  
Secretary General-St Lucia National Commission for  
UNESCO

**ATTENTION:** Heads of Science Department – Secondary Schools  
Science Coordinators – Primary Schools

**DATE** : 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014

**SUBJECT** : **DISTRICT AND NATIONAL SCHOOLS SCIENCE AND  
TECHNOLOGY FAIR 2014 -15**

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The Ministry of Education is pleased to invite your school to participate in the newly revised concept of the **District and National Schools Science and Technology Fair 2014 -15** under the theme “**YOUNG INVENTORS BLAZING AN EXCITING TRAIL TOWARDS SUCCESS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**”. The District Fair is scheduled to take place at each District level during the period Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 2015 and after which the top three (3) projects from each district will compete at the National Fair scheduled for the **Derek Walcott Square** from **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2015**.

The National Schools Science and Technology Fair will facilitate a partnership approach which will see ALL Secondary Schools twinned with a business house to create innovative and original projects.

The **primary aim** of the National Schools Science and Technology Fair is to stimulate and cultivate the creative, analytical and inventive capacities of young minds in the field of Science and Technology in Saint Lucia.

**Specific Objectives** of the Science Fair are to:

- Stimulate a renewed interest in Science, Mathematics and Technology in schools
- Provide students with a broader appreciation of the world around them
- Enhance the understanding of the role of Science, Mathematics and Technology in the sustainable development of the country
- Afford students greater opportunities for better understanding issues of the environment, innovation and technology.
- Develop the creative potential of students
- Enhance the analytical and problem solving skills of students
- Develop in students the ability to create innovative products that can be used/applied to industries
- Build national competitive capacities within the framework of the CARICOM Single Market and Economy
- Create a long-term Industry/School partnership that will help secure the sustainability of the process

Schools should confirm their participation with their respective District Education Officer and Science Coordinators **no later than the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2015**. Also indicate the area/projects that you wish to undertake with a budget proposal.

The Ministry of Education looks forward to a very exciting and an extremely successful District and National Schools Science and Technology Fair 2015.

**Please find attached the guidelines and budget proposal for the District and National Schools Science and Technology Fair 2014-15.**

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