The science fair experience is, from start to finish and at all the various levels of participation, an experience of not only competition, but also camaraderie, creativity, and education. This is the essence of the logo for the Colorado Science and Engineering Fair.

Annually, for over thirty-nine years, the Colorado Science and Engineering Fair (previously the Colorado State Science Fair) has been held to encourage and display the talents of Colorado’s top science students, grades 7 – 12. Each year, over 220 scientifically talented youths from thirteen regions around our state display their exhibits. Professional scientists for the Colorado scientific community judge the presentation of each student’s exhibit, review the student’s research notebook, and interview each participant. Each student is sponsored by a teacher or other mentor.

The exhibits compete for state fair awards in one of seven categories: Botany, Earth & Environmental Sciences, Engineering, Health & Behavioral Sciences, Mathematics & Computer Sciences, Physical Sciences, and Zoology. Recognition is given to the students with outstanding exhibits in each of the categories as well as one in technical writing. Special awards are also given by professional organizations, government agencies, and industries for exhibits that best represent their particular emphases or philosophies. The top two senior division winners are awarded a trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair. This year, it was held in Birmingham, Alabama where they competed with other winners from across the United States and several foreign countries.

Many educational experiences are available to participants of the CSEF. Tours of university and local corporate research facilities give the students and their families an opportunity to see research in action. The judges’ interviewing process and the Food, Fun and Friendship Mixer after judging allows the students to interact with professional scientists. The opportunity the students have to interact with other students who share their interest in science may be the most beneficial aspect of the CSEF.

1994 Colorado Science and Engineering Fair

The 39th Colorado Science and Engineering Fair was held at the Lory Student Center on the Colorado State University campus on April 13 – 15, 1994. Two hundred twenty-six students participated in this three day event and competed for honors in their respective categories. Rajan Sheth from Cherry Creek High School in Denver, took first place this year in the All Fair competition. His project was Designing and analyzing an air shield to optimize the aerodynamic benefits of automated vehicles: Year Three. He received an expense paid trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair. Runner-up in the All Fair competition was Steve Gipstein of Cherry Creek High School in Denver for the exhibit Fractals: The mathematics of biology – Year Two. He also received a trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair. Third place in the Senior Division was Kate Campbell of Boulder High School in Boulder for the exhibit Boulder Creek Ecology – A holistic approach.

The top winner of the Junior Division was Robi Goswami of Cherry Creek High School for the exhibit Investigating Chaos in a Double Pendulum. The runner-up in the Junior Division was Daniel Prentice of Wray High School in Wray for the exhibit Geritol, for iron poor mud? Third best in the Junior Division was Rian Skye Good Lewin of Smiley Middle School in Durango for the exhibit Flying Magic: Determination of Aircraft Functionality.
1994 International Science and Engineering Fair

The 45th International Science and Engineering Fair was held May 8 – 14th at the Birmingham Civic Center in Birmingham, Alabama. This year 913 finalists represented 24 countries from around the globe. There were 13 disciplinary categories and a new 14th Team Projects interdisciplinary category. Colorado sent 14 delegates who participated in 7 of the categories.

Colorado’s top CSEF finalist, Rajen Sheth from Englewood, Colorado won fourth place in the ISEF Grand Awards Engineering category and a first place special award from the US Department of Energy. The Intel Foundation awarded him an Intel 486 DX2-66MHZ personal computer for his fourth place grand award and ISEF presented him with $100. DOE’s prize was a certificate and an expense paid trip to an “Energy Research Orientation Week” at a DEO national laboratory for him and his teacher.

The state’s second place winner, Steve Gipstein, was unable to attend the ISEF, so the third place winner, Kate Campbell. Attended. Kate won a special award of $250 from the North American Bentological Society plus a one-year student membership in the society. Nicole Hurt from the Longs Peak Region won a 3rd place ISEF award of $200 for her Botany project. Jason Oraker from the Pikes Peak Region was awarded a 1st place award of $250 and a plaque from the American Psychological Association. Ken Hamner from the Western Region won a 2nd place special award of $150 and a plaque from the FAA. In all, Colorado students won 6 awards.

Organization

The Colorado Science and Engineering Fair would not be possible without the dedication and tremendous efforts of many organizations including school districts, universities, government agencies, corporations, professional associations, and individuals. These groups sustain the CSEF through financial and resource support, special awards and most importantly, dedicated volunteers.

The CSEF volunteers make the fair possible by serving on the Advisory Council and its various committees. They, and others, also serve as CSEF judges. Thirteen regional and many local school fairs are conducted throughout the state prior to this fair by hardworking and dedicated educators. Before the exhibits ever get to fairs, it takes the teachers, sponsors, and parents who have helped to support and encourage the students from the project’s inception. The Colorado Science and Engineering Fair is a product of all these people.

The success of each year’s fair is directly dependent upon the support of public and private organizations, government agencies, school districts, universities, and the efforts and coordination of more than three hundred dedicated volunteers. To organize and stage the fair each year requires a very large effort with many challenges and personal rewards. The level of achievement, pride and excitement of these bright young people in their scientific endeavors is a good indication that the level of science aptitude in Colorado schools is very high.
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## Incomes

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1993 Financial Profile

**Income for 1994**

- Interest: 0%
- Meal Tickets: 15%
- Registration Fees: 26%
- Tours: 6%
- Contributions: 10%
- Sponsors: 43%

**Expenses for 1994**

- Meals: 34%
- Coordinator: 14%
- Printing: 12%
- Postage: 0%
- Busses/Tours: 9%
- Supplies, Misc.: 6%
- Travel to ISEF: 11%
- Student Awards: 12%
- ISEF Affiliation: 2%
THURSDAY, April 14, 1994

9:00 – 11:00 AM Exhibit Area Open for Set-Up

*Exhibitor MUST stay with exhibit until Exhibit Check-Off Sheet is signed by Photo and Rules Committee Members.*

9:00 – 9:30 AM SRC and Display 7 Safety Committee Meeting: Headquarters

10:30 - 11:00 AM Grand Awards Judge Captain's Briefing: Middle Ballroom

11:00 - 11:30 AM Grand Awards Judge's Briefing: Middle Ballroom

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Grand Awards Judge's Luncheon: East Ballroom

12:30 - 1:00 PM Special Awards Judge's Briefing: Middle Ballroom

12:00 - 5:00 PM JUDGING

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<td>Students must be at their exhibits for interviews.</td>
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No one else is permitted in the exhibit areas at this time.

1:45 - 2:00 PM Finalist Orientation Meeting: Middle Ballroom

2:00 - 5:00 PM Parent/Teacher/Sponsor's Lounge: Cookies and Punch in Room 220

5:00 – 8:00 PM Opening Night Pizza Party: Main Ballroom

FRIDAY, April 15, 1994

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM CSEF Open to the Public

Guest Speaker: Dr. Marty Fettman, Astronaut – Payload Specialist, NASA's Spacelab Life Sciences – 2 Flight, Pathology Professor, CSU.

“Experimenting in Space”: Middle Ballroom

10:00 AM 4:00 PM Tours: Students, their sponsors, family, and judges are invited to participate in the tours by pre-registering on Thursday morning.

10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon Regional Fair Director’s Meeting: Headquarters

12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM Planning Meeting for ISEF: Representatives from ALL Delegations Statewide meet in Headquarters.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1994

8:00 – 9:00 AM Advisory Council Breakfast: Longs Peak Dining Room

9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon CSEF Open to the Public

9:00 – 10:30 AM Advisory Council Meeting: Headquarters

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM Awards Luncheon: Main Ballroom

2:30 – 3:00 PM Exhibit Dismantling: Everything must be removed by 3:00 PM.
