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**76 LOCAL STUDENTS TO COMPETE IN THE
50th ANNUAL SUDBURY REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR**
**Annual fair showcases scientific investigations by local students
from grade 7 to 11**

(SUDBURY, ON) – Each year, students from local schools bring their science projects to the regional science fair to share the science experiments, studies and innovation projects that have taken weeks and, in some cases, even months to perfect.

It is quite fitting that in its 50th year, the Sudbury Regional Science Fair was held in the new Cliff Fielding Innovation, Research and Engineering building at Laurentian University. Student projects lined the hallways of this bright and modern building and engaged with professional scientists, engineers and the general public.

The 50th annual Sudbury Regional Science Fair (SRSF) was a big success for the 52 projects and 76 participants from 18 schools who took part in the competition held at Laurentian University on April 6 and 7. The projects, which showcased a variety of scientific initiatives, were judged by over 60 professional scientists from the local area.

“The science fair is a great event where students can share their work with professional scientists and the general public,” said Nicole Chiasson, President of the Sudbury Regional Science Fair Committee. “It is wonderful that such an event can get students thinking about the world around them and at the same time let them have fun with science”

Over 60 professional scientists and engineers played an important role in the Regional Science Fair. These individuals judged the projects for 22 regular awards and 35 special awards. “The support we get from science professionals from across the disciplines through the judging process adds great value to the student experience,” added Chief Judge Dr. H  l  ne Joly.

The highlight of the awards ceremony on Sunday April 7 was the designation of those who will represent the region at this year's Canada-Wide Science Fair to be held in Fredericton, New Brunswick from May 11-18, 2019.

The best in fair project was awarded to:

Brendon Matusch
Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School

Brendon is one of eight students from across Canada chosen to attend the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair that will be held in Phoenix Arizona at the exact same time as the Canada-Wide Science Fair. The Sudbury Regional Science Fair would like to congratulate Brendon and wish him well as he competes at the international level.

The six students who will be attending the Canada Wide Science Fair are :

It's Hip To Be Square: Shaping A Solution To Waste Reduction

Adam Selalmatzidis
Northeastern Public School

A Timed On-Demand Wireless Heated Washer Fluid System

Trevor Meek
Carl A. Nesbitt Public School

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Edward Xiong
Jordan Fergani
Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School

Weeding out the Secret to Antibiotic Resistance

Kerry Yang
Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School

Neuropsychiatric Interconnected Wearable System using CBT

Nethra Wickramasinghe
Lockerby Composite School

Science Ambassador Teacher Award

For the fifth year, the Sudbury Regional Science Fair Committee presented an award recognizing a teacher from Le Conseil Scolaire Catholique du Nord de l'Ontario as a science ambassador. Mme Anne Ross-Boudreau, from Ecole Jean-Paul II in Val Caron was recognized for her passion for science. She is known for teaching fun and engaging science activities not only for her class but the entire school. She is recognized for influencing students in pursuing their studies in science in high school and beyond and is even said to have played a role in her students' STEM career choices.

About the Sudbury Regional Science Fair:

The Sudbury Regional Science Fair (SRSF) offers hands-on science experiences to students from grades 7 to 12. It wishes to encourage teachers to use project-based science in the classroom to get students interested in science. This experience connects students to professional scientists whether through mentorship of their project or through the judging experience at the fair. Since its inception in 1969, approximately 5,280 students have participated at the regional science fair level and 287 students have had all expense paid trips to the Canada-Wide Science Fair.

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