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### **Surry County Schools' Students Excel at Regional Science Fair**

The North Central Region 5 Science Fair was held at the Triad Math and Science Academy on Saturday, February 16, 2019. Approximately 130 projects were registered in three divisions; Elementary, Junior, and Senior. Region 5 was allowed to send 46 projects from the regional event to the North Carolina Science and Engineering Fair to be held at North Carolina State University on March 29 & 30, 2019.

Surry County Schools was well represented with 13 projects competing in the regional fair. The following is a list of students who received recognition:

- Alexis and Avery Mayes from Dobson Elementary did not place, however, their score qualified them to move forward to the State Fair.
- Nathan Narehood from Central Middle did not place, however, his project earned the Navel Award for Technology and Engineering.
- Charity Rosenhauer from East Surry High placed First in the Senior Division, Biology B Category, and will move on to the State Fair.
- Lauren Knopf from East Surry High placed Third in the Senior Division, Biology A Category, and will move on to the State Fair.
- Olivia Jones from North Surry High placed Second in the Senior Division, Chemistry Category and will move on to the State Fair.
- Peggy Privitte & Sarah Brown from Surry Central High placed Second in the Senior Division, Physics Category and will move on to the State Fair.

Superintendent Dr. Travis L. Reeves stated, "Science and engineering are alive in Surry County Schools, and students at every level, elementary, middle, and high school are gaining valuable skills that transfer to the world of work. Not only did students demonstrate creativity in their research but they also presented that research to judges in an interview. The ability to synthesize information and communicate it in a professional manner sets students apart competitively and prepares them for what's next, whether that be college or careers. I am extremely proud of how hard our students work to

develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills each day in their classrooms and the high-quality lessons teachers create to facilitate learning. The results of the Region 5 Science Fair and the number of students going on to the State Fair is a great example of students' ability to showcase their research and apply the practical knowledge they have gained to present themselves well in a broader spectrum. These are the skills needed for the future and I am so proud of their accomplishments.”





