



Dear FJAS members and sponsors,

February 22, 2019

**Our 2019 competition will be held March 9th at Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne**

**Please see the map and directions in the folder**

**The tentative schedule for March 9th is:**

**7:30 AM – 8:30 AM:** Registration in Olin Engineering Complex. Please bring a list with the names of all student attendees – competitors and attendees. **Remember the Registration fee is \$10 per student attending** and the adults are \$1/- (checks should be made out to Florida Junior Academy of Sciences). Please let me know ahead of time if possible how many people will be attending from your school so I can make arrangements.

**Opening Session:** 8:30 – 8:45 am in Olin Engineering Complex Room 118

**Competition building:** All competitions will be held in Skurla Hall. All of the rooms should be open and your presentations could be loaded onto the PC computers in the rooms to allow presentations to reduce the time between speakers. There should also be staff on hand to assist with the technology.

**Poster Session:** this will run from **9:15 am**. Students should set up their posters by 8:15 am. Instructions for posters will be sent out. NO trifolds please.

**9:15 AM – 1:45 PM:** Concurrent Sessions in Skurla Hall. Room assignments will be given in the registration packet. Students should remain in their room the entire session while adults can courteously visit other rooms during breaks between speakers. Please be courteous to ALL presenters. Family members and teachers are welcome to observe the presentations in the rooms. Moderators are needed for each of the 8 (7HS and 2MS) sessions. If you would like to preregister for this function please fill this form <http://bit.ly/FJASVol2019>, with the session you would like to moderate. High school students, parents, and teachers can perform these functions as long as they have a time piece (watch or phone).

**3:00 PM – 3:30 PM:** Business meeting immediately followed by the Awards Ceremony in [Olin Engineering Complex auditorium](#). During the Business meeting we will meet the delegation from FJAS who attended the American Junior Academy of Science this spring in Washington DC, elect next year's officers and discuss other items that may come up.

During the Awards ceremony we will award plaques and certificates for outstanding presentations as determined by the judges. Information for AJAS nomination will be available and information for the AJAS scholarship to the winning 11<sup>th</sup> graders.

One hundred eighty eight FJAS members submitted papers to the preliminary competition and 131 were invited to present.

FJAS will be video recording and taking photographs during this competition to be used on the FJAS website. By participating in this competition, you and your students are giving permission to be filmed and have these pictures be posted in the FJAS website. You further waive all rights and release FJAS and FAS from any claims related to our use of yours or your students name, image, likeness, voice or quotes.

I look forward to seeing you on March 9th. **Remember!** Presentations are 10 minutes long and only the judges will be able to ask questions for 3 minutes.

Sincerely,

Leya Joykutty, FJAS Director

## **AJAS/AAAS scholarship and nomination applications**

**For Seniors who presented papers at FJAS during their Junior year.**

FJAS members who competed and placed with experimental papers during their junior year of high school are eligible to apply for a registration and travel scholarship to present at the American Junior Academy of Science (AJAS) and American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) conference.

**PLEASE NOTE: Application for scholarship AND/OR nomination is based on your qualifying 2019 performance in the FJAS competition and so you are OBLIGED to present your qualifying 2019 research at the 2020 meeting.**

The 2020 AAAS meeting (AJAS meeting) will be in Seattle, WA next year and will be over President's Day weekend (February 13–16, 2020 -- Thursday through Monday). Please only apply if you will be available to attend.

**Please note: What is covered in your scholarship:**

**FJAS will cover Conference registration for you and your chaperone, Ticket fare for you and a chaperone up to \$200 per RT ticket.**

These applications must be received by **September 1<sup>st</sup> of the competition year.**

FJAS members wanting to attend and present at AJAS/AAAS at their own expense may apply for nomination only.

**Students applying for the scholarship/nomination MUST do 2 things.**

1. Fill out the google form: <http://bit.ly/AJAS2019>

The application must be submitted by **email**. The application MUST have the following information in the text of the e-mail:

**Application for \_\_\_\_\_AJAS/AAAS Scholarship (Juniors who placed at FJAS only)  
\_\_\_\_\_AJAS/AAAS nomination only**

**Student**

**name**

**School**

**Regional Science & Engineering Fair Coordinator's name and email  
address Title of paper (exactly as it appeared in the paper presented  
their junior year)**

A single attachment in **pdf** should include the following information:

- "AJAS application, Last name, First name" should be the title of the attachment
- Resume of science research activities during high school (not to exceed 2 pages)
- Abstract of paper presented at FJAS (qualifying 2019 performance)
- Plans for research during the senior year (a minimum of a proposal and time line of completion of experimentation - not expected competitions)
- Plans for the presentation at AJAS (Junior paper or Senior paper)

**\*\*Save the file with "AJAS application, Last name, First name" as the title.\*\***

E-mails should be sent to: [leyajoykutty@gmail.com](mailto:leyajoykutty@gmail.com) Please mark the subject line as "AJAS application, Last name, First name".

Revised February 2019 by LM  
Joykutty

