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BASEF Values

Land Acknowledgement

The Bay Area Science & Engineering Fair (BASEF) acknowledges its presence on the traditional territories of the Mississauga and Haudenosaunee nations, and within the lands protected by the "Dish with One Spoon" wampum agreement.

The catchment area of BASEF is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island. We respect the longstanding relationships with local Indigenous communities, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River. BASEF recognizes that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers. For more information, visit www.native-land.ca.

Our Mission

BASEF inspires young people to positively impact the world through science, technology, engineering and mathematics. BASEF provides opportunities for students to showcase their innovations and discoveries.

Our Vision

There is engaged participation by all eligible students. Completing a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) project is a means to fulfill Ministry curriculum in elementary and secondary schools. Students realize that through STEM literacy, they can make a positive difference in the world. Scientific innovations and discoveries will be considered exciting, and students will make time for science fair projects because they will have opportunities and develop [21st Century Competencies](#).

Anti-Discrimination Policy

BASEF prohibits and condemns discrimination of any type against students, judges, volunteers, and visitors, including on the basis of race, colour, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex—including sexual orientation and gender identity/expression—genetic information, age, (dis)ability, or any other characteristic that is protected under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

A Year of Growth and Momentum



This year, the Bay Area Science and Engineering Fair (BASEF) proudly celebrated its 65th anniversary. Since 1961, the fair has provided a platform for tens of thousands of students in grades 7-12 to showcase their passion for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, offering opportunities to advance to national and international competitions. Many BASEF alumni have gone on to become world-class researchers, doctors, engineers, and successful business leaders in their pursuit of excellence.



The 2025 fair continued the strong upward momentum of recent years. We welcomed 344 students representing 257 projects, reflecting both strong interest and ongoing re-engagement from schools across the region. Beyond the numbers, the quality of student research remained exceptional, with many participants achieving recognition at the regional, national, and international levels. As this renewed wave of young scientists grows, we look forward to watching their enthusiasm and innovation flourish throughout their science fair journeys.

The success of BASEF would not be possible without the collective efforts of students, parents, teachers, committee members, volunteers, judges, special awards donors, and, of course, our sponsors and benefactors. Each of you contributes to the remarkable experience that defines BASEF, and we thank you sincerely for your ongoing commitment. Year after year, you help inspire young people to make a positive impact on the world through science.

We would also like to extend our continued gratitude to Hillfield Strathallan College for hosting the fair once again. Their outstanding facilities and exceptionally supportive staff played a major role in ensuring a smooth and successful event.

Dana Bee & David Reed

BASEF 2025 Co-Chairs

From the Judge-In-Chief



In order to successfully hold one of the largest and oldest Science Fairs in Canada BASEF relies entirely on individuals that volunteer their time. A key part of the Science Fair is the judging process where students meet and discuss their projects with the judges. The role of the Merit judge is to recognize and foster scientific talent among budding young science students. Many of our judges at BASEF return year after year because they find these discussions both enjoyable and interesting.

On Judging Day there were 140 Merit Judges in attendance - up from 127 in 2024 (to judge 257 student projects). This included twelve Category Chairs; we welcomed four new Category Chairs in 2025 who did an exceptional job mentoring and supporting their team. Merit Judges were assigned 8-10 projects. The new Judging Form introduced in 2024, was used in 2025 with great success and very positive feedback from the judges.

This year we held both a Zoom training session and an in-person training session that were open to all registered merit judges. These sessions provided an opportunity for judges to interact with each other and with the judging committee members, questions were answered and tips were shared by the Judging Committee. The Judges Training power point was made available on the BASEF website for reference. We were able to provide merit judges with their assignments and project abstracts prior to judging day. Once again, the Category Chairs contacted their assigned team days before the Fair to welcome their group and answer any questions before judging day. This outreach resulted in fewer no-show judges on the day of the Fair (ten no-show judges).

BASEF Committee and past Merit Judges were invited to reach out to their contacts and personally invite friends, family and colleagues to participate as Merit Judges. A sincere thank you to everyone who was able to do this, it made a difference. We continue to look to expand our judges' background knowledge, experience and expertise to ensure that each project is judged appropriately.

A sincere thank you to each merit judge and category chair for sharing their scientific expertise and supporting all student participants. Once again, I am in awe of the commitment of these volunteer judges.

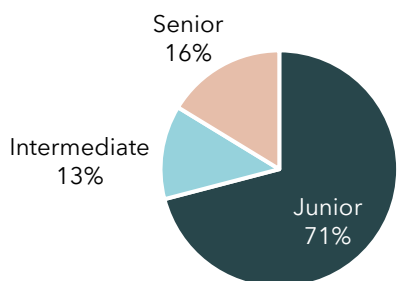
We look forward to BASEF 2026.

Donna Stack-Durward

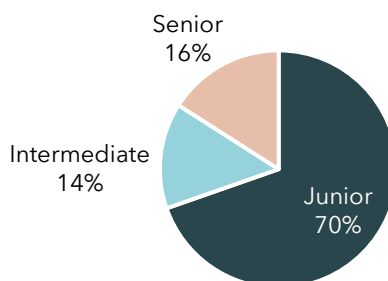
BASEF 2025 Judge in Chief

BASEF 2025 Participation Results

344 Students



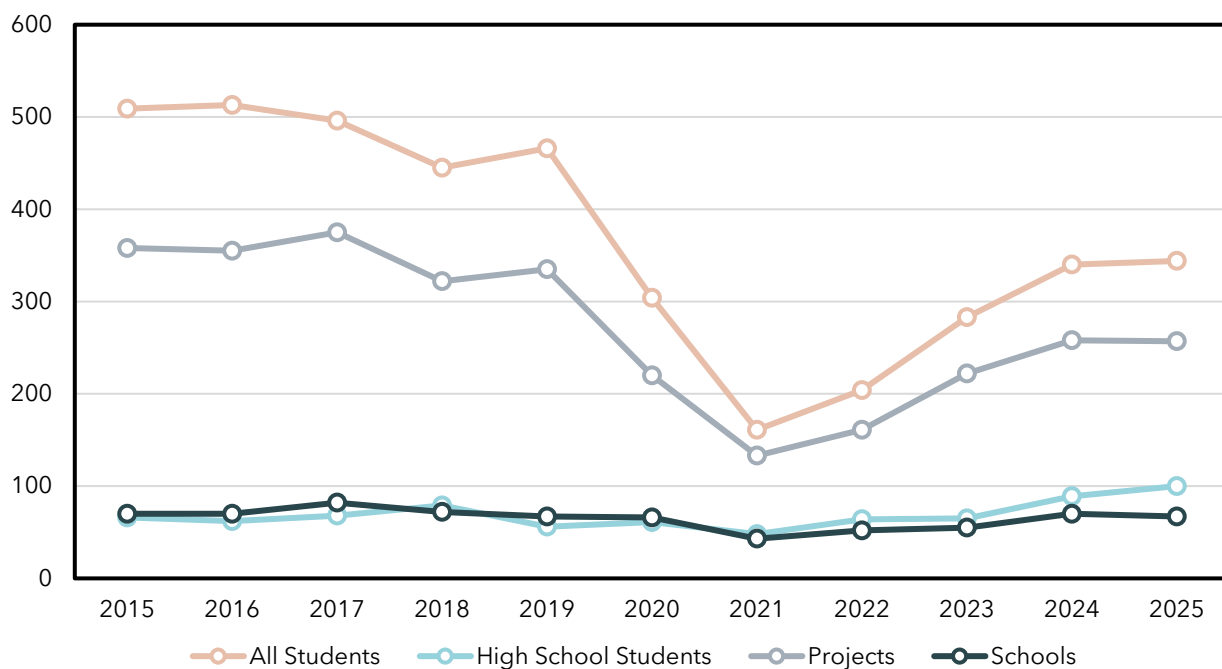
257 Projects



67 schools from 8 boards

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| CSCMA | <i>Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir</i> |
| GEDSB | <i>Grand Erie District School Board</i> |
| HCDSB | <i>Halton Catholic District School Board</i> |
| HDSB | <i>Halton District School Board</i> |
| HWCDSD | <i>Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board</i> |
| HWDSB | <i>Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board</i> |
| IND | <i>Independent (private school, home-schooled, etc.)</i> |

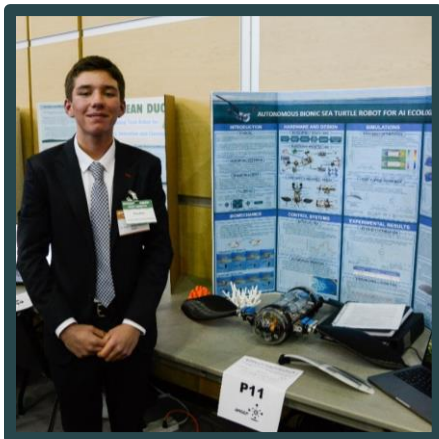
BASEF Participation Statistics by Year



Summary of Awards

Best-In-Fair Pinnacle Awards

The **Primary Fluid Systems Pinnacle Awards** are presented to each of the top three projects in the fair. These awards are based on the project's Merit Award score. Each winner receives an engraved plaque; trophies are awarded to the winner's schools.

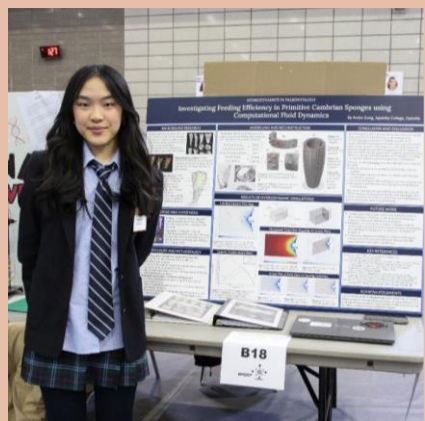


Primary Fluid Systems Pinnacle Best in Fair Evan Budz

P11 *Development of an Autonomous Bionic Sea Turtle Robot to Conduct Ecological Monitoring using AI*

Intermediate 9/10, Eng & Comp Sci

Dr. Frank J. Hayden Secondary School, Halton District School Board



Primary Fluid Systems Pinnacle Second Best in Fair Annie Gong

B18 *Investigating feeding efficiency in primitive Cambrian sponges using computational fluid dynamics*

Senior 11/12, Life Sciences Non-Human

Appleby College



Primary Fluid Systems Pinnacle Third Best in Fair Anish Rathod

Q06 *PIONEER: Pipe Inspection and Observation for Non-Destructive Evaluation and Environmental Review*

Senior 11/12, Eng & Comp Sci

Burlington Central High School, Halton District School Board

Merit Awards Presented by ArcelorMittal Dofasco



Merit awards recognize the tremendous amount of thought and effort that has gone into the projects entered into BASEF. They are a result of an extensive judging process undertaken by over 140 volunteer merit judges who have come from educational institutions, local governments, business and industry in our regions.

All participants in BASEF were eligible to win Merit Awards. Each merit award winner received a cash prize and a \$1,000 entrance scholarship that may be used toward first year tuition at either Mohawk College or Sheridan College.

Merit awards were earned by 148 students: a total of **\$8,320** in cash and **\$148,000** in scholarships:

- ▷ **Gold:** 17 projects by 20 students
- ▷ **Silver:** 37 projects by 48 students
- ▷ **Bronze:** 61 projects by 80 students

Special Awards

Special Awards are donated by families, individuals, companies, organizations and groups to recognize deserving projects that deal with topics of interest to the donor. For BASEF 2025, 46 Special Award donors provided:

- ▷ 145 special awards;
- ▷ \$27,600 in prize money; and
- ▷ Scholarships worth \$15,750

Total Merit & Special Awards given out exceeded \$200,000 in 2025!

School Awards

BASEF Committee Trophy

This trophy is awarded to the elementary school accumulating the most points.

- ▷ *W. H. Morden Public School (HDSB)*



Herb Gildea Memorial Trophy

This trophy is awarded to the secondary school accumulating the most points.

- ▷ *Westdale Secondary School (HWDSB)*



BASEF 2025 Champion Teacher Award

The Champion Teacher Award recognizes a STEM teacher who displays a remarkable ability to empower and excite student interest in science and actively promotes the Bay Area Science & Engineering Fair. The winner is selected by a panel of BASEF organizing committee members from among those nominated online by their peers, students, and their parents. The Award includes induction into the BASEF Champion Teacher Hall of Fame, a trophy, and \$500 for use in the winning teacher's classroom.

For the 2025 Fair, we recognize a teacher who approaches teaching with patience, creativity, and a deep sense of care for his students' well-being. His dedication and passion for education make him truly deserving of BASEF 2025's Champion Teacher Award.



Richard Humpartzoomian

North Park Collegiate and Vocational School
Grand Erie District School Board

The nominator writes: *"Mr. Humpartzoomian is a dedicated and inspiring educator who consistently goes above and beyond to support his students. Through his encouragement, insightful suggestions, and clear explanations, he fosters an environment where every student can thrive. He recognizes and nurtures the unique strengths of each individual, whether in coding, hands-on applications, or innovative thinking. His ability to see potential in every student allows them to grow in confidence and ability, especially in high-level academic pursuits such as BASEF projects."*

BASEF Inspiration Teacher Awards

BASEF Inspiration Teacher Awards are presented to teachers at schools which are new* to BASEF. The teacher must have two or more projects displayed and judged at the Fair. The award is to be used in the classroom at the winning teacher's discretion.

**Schools without BASEF projects for at least 5 years*



Samantha Creamer

Oxford Learning Academy
(Independent)

Benjamin Lynch

Palermo Public School
(Halton District School Board)

Ann Nadackal

St. Kateri Tekakwitha
(Halton Catholic District School Board)

Maria Turano

St. Kateri Tekakwitha
(Halton Catholic District School Board)

National & International Fair Results

ISEF Participation Update



In 2025, BASEF made the difficult decision not to send students to the **Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF)** in Columbus, Ohio. Ongoing uncertainties surrounding cross-border travel, documentation requirements for minors, and the responsibilities placed on volunteer chaperones created challenges BASEF could not confidently navigate while upholding our top priority: the safety and well-being of our students and chaperones.

While this was a disappointing step for our finalists and committee, BASEF remains strongly supportive of the mission and values of Society for Science. We are optimistic that conditions will stabilize, and we look forward with hope and enthusiasm to rejoining the ISEF community in 2026.

See here for [more information on ISEF 2025](#).

MILSET 2025 International Science Expo



This past September, our top three BASEF projects earned the prestigious opportunity to join Youth Science Canada's delegation at the **2025 MILSET Expo-Science International** in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. These remarkable students joined a delegation of 36 young innovators from across the country, each selected for their outstanding scientific achievement, creativity, and passion for discovery.

Throughout the week-long event, our students presented their projects on the global stage, connecting with peers from around the world and engaging in meaningful exchanges of ideas and perspectives. Beyond the exhibition halls, participants immersed themselves in local culture, explored the host city's landmarks, and took part in workshops and activities designed to spark curiosity and foster collaboration.

MILSET provided an invaluable experience—one that broadened horizons, inspired lifelong connections, and highlighted the impact of Canadian youth in STEM. We are proud of our students' accomplishments and grateful for the opportunity to support their growth as emerging scientists, innovators, and leaders.

See here for [more information on MILSET 2025](#).

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME. "Project Title." Project Number, Division. School, Board.

BUDZ, EVAN. "Development of an Autonomous Bionic Sea Turtle Robot to Conduct Ecological Monitoring using AI" P11, Eng & Comp Sci. Dr. Frank J. Hayden Secondary School, HDSB.

GONG, ANNIE. "Investigating feeding efficiency in primitive Cambrian sponges using computational fluid dynamics" B18, Life Sciences Non-Human. Appleby College, IND.

RATHOD, ANISH. "PIONEER: Pipe Inspection and Observation for Non-Destructive Evaluation and Environmental Review" Q06, Eng & Comp Sci. Burlington Central High School, HDSB.

Canada-Wide Science Fair

Thanks to generous support of its general sponsors, each year BASEF selects students to represent our region at the **Canada-Wide Science and Engineering Fair (CWSF)**. This year, the CWSF was held in Fredericton, New Brunswick from May 3rd-June 5th. See here for [more information on CWSF](#).



Evan Budz was awarded **BEST IN FAIR - Innovation Category** for his project "*Development of an Autonomous Bionic Sea Turtle Robot to Conduct Ecological Monitoring using AI*" at **CWSF**.

Evan then chose to enter his project at the 36th **European Union Contest for Young Scientists (EUCYS)**, hosted by the European Commission in Riga, Latvia. There, he won **FIRST PRIZE** for his invention! Read more about his success at CWSF and EUCYS in [this CBC article](#).


Congratulations to the following students who represented BASEF at the CWSF. Note that all CWSF Medal Winners received a scholarship to the University of Western Ontario.

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME. "Project Title." Project Number, Division. School, Board.

 CWSF Award(s)

ALLARAKHIA, IMRAN. "CareBotix in Motion: Advanced Simulation Environments & VLA Models for Robust Dexterous Manipulation" R01, Eng & Comp Sci. Abbey Park High School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Intermediate - Gold


 Challenge Award - Digital Technology Intermediate \$75

ALSAADI, BAHAA. "Bits to Bedside: An Ingenious Exploration of Machine Learning in Triage Assessments (Continued...)" P08, Eng & Comp Sci. Bishop P. F. Reding Secondary School, HCDSB.


ALSAADI, ZENA. "Bits to Bedside: An Ingenious Exploration of Machine Learning in Triage Assessments (Continued...)" P08, Eng & Comp Sci. Bishop P. F. Reding Secondary School, HCDSB.

BADARALA, LOHITAKSH. "Q-CaDD: Accelerating In Silico Methodologies with Quantum Computation and Machine Learning for EGFR" N13, Biotechnology. Bruce Trail Public School, HDSB.


 Excellence Award Junior - Silver

 Special Award: Actuarial foundation of Canada Award Junior - \$500

BUDZ, EVAN. "Development of an Autonomous Bionic Sea Turtle Robot to Conduct Ecological Monitoring using AI" P11, Eng & Comp Sci. Dr. Frank J. Hayden Secondary School, HDSB.


 Best in Fair - Innovation Category

 Youth Can Innovate Award - Intermediate \$750

 Challenge Award - Environment & Climate Change Intermediate \$750

 Excellence Award Intermediate - Gold

 Special Award: The Beaty Centre for Species Discovery Award - Intermediate \$750

 Ellison Scholars Award

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME. "Project Title." Project Number, Division. School, Board.

 CWSF Award(s)

DUAN, EVA. "Sodium Alginate-Chitosan Hydrogel Burn Wound Dressing with pH-Sensitive Infection Detection" F18, Biotechnology. Oakville Trafalgar High School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Intermediate - Bronze


EUM, TAEYEON. "Sodium Alginate-Chitosan Hydrogel Burn Wound Dressing with pH-Sensitive Infection Detection" F18, Biotechnology. Oakville Trafalgar High School, HDSB.


 Excellence Award Intermediate - Bronze

GONG, ANNIE. "Investigating feeding efficiency in primitive Cambrian sponges using computational fluid dynamics" B18, Life Sciences Non-Human. Appleby College, IND.

 Excellence Award Senior - Silver

KAR, VIVAAN. "The Power of Pectin: Attenuating Toxic By-Products for Enhanced Hydrogel Drug Delivery" F12, Biotechnology. W. H. Morden Public School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Junior - Silver


 Challenge Award Disease and Illness - Junior \$500


LEBLANC, JACOB MICHAEL. "Re-evaluating AQHI: A New Model for Assessing Wildfire Smoke and Benzo(a)pyrene Health Risks" N11, Health Sciences Human. Abbey Park High School, HDSB.

MARSH, CLAIRE. "Autism Identification Tool: An AI Approach to Reducing Diagnostic Barriers" J09, Eng & Comp Sci. M. M. Robinson High School, HDSB.


 Excellence Award Senior - Bronze


POLYANSKA, MARIA. "PicoTrack: Solar Powered Real-Time Monitoring of Near-Stratospheric Conditions" Q12, Eng & Comp Sci. Garth Webb Secondary School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Intermediate - Gold

 Youth Can Innovate Award - Intermediate \$750

RAO, RAHUL. "The Power of Pectin: Attenuating Toxic By-Products for Enhanced Hydrogel Drug Delivery" F12, Biotechnology. W. H. Morden Public School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Junior - Silver

 Challenge Award Disease and Illness - Junior \$500


RATHOD, ANISH. "PIONEER: Pipe Inspection and Observation for Non-Destructive Evaluation and Environmental Review" Q06, Eng & Comp Sci. Burlington Central High School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Senior - Silver

 Special Award: Engineering Innovation Award - Senior \$1000

SARAVANAN, RAKSHAN. "Alak-AZA-m: An Ancient solution to say bye to E.Coli" A02, Life Sciences Non-Human. Ancaster High, HWDSB.

TANG, CHURONG. "Inferring Biomarkers from UroA-treated Cell Transcriptome & CRC Cell Heterogeneity via Deep Learning" C06, Biotechnology. Home Schooling, IND.

 Excellence Award Senior - Silver

WANG, JASMINE. "Wildfire Detection and Prediction system using a Sequential Transformer model for improved accuracy" P18, Eng & Comp Sci. Iroquois Ridge High School, HDSB.

 Excellence Award Intermediate - Silver

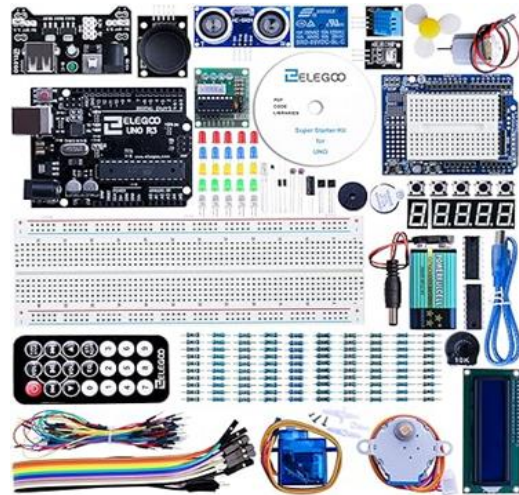
 Special Award - Intact Climate Change Resilience Award \$750

WASEEM, ZOYA. "The Cancer MIRACLE A Novel Diagnostic Model Using Salivary miRNA Profiling for Oral Cancer Detection" E11, Biotechnology. White Oaks Secondary School, HDSB.

Bursary Program

Each year, the BASEF Bursary Program helps students in need of financial assistance to start or complete their science fair project. Bursaries of \$30 each may be awarded to Grade 7-12 students in BASEF's catchment area to assist with project-related expenses.

New for the 2025 Fair, thanks to an anonymous donor, Arduino kits were also made available, free-of-charge to the students, as part of our outreach program. Each kit contained an Arduino microprocessor, a package of sensors and accessories, and a multimeter. With these components, the possibilities are endless for a student interested in completing a project in the fields of computer science and electronics. This new program was a great success!



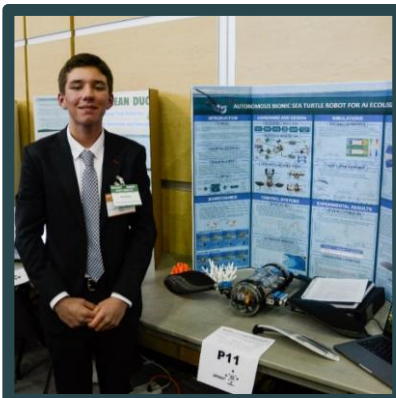
| Financial Bursary Recipients by Grade | |
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| Grade 7 | 0 |
| Grade 8 | 4 |
| Grade 9 | 1 |
| Grade 10 | 1 |
| Grade 11 | 0 |
| Grade 12 | 0 |
| Total | 6 |

| Arduino Kit Recipients by Board | |
|---|----------|
| Halton District School Board | 3 |
| Hamilton Wentworth Catholic District School Board | 2 |
| Halton Catholic District School Board | 1 |
| Total | 6 |

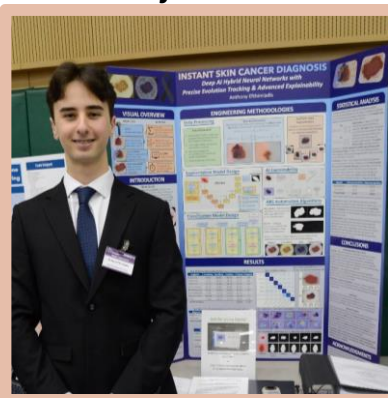
Student Advisors

Every year, students apply to volunteer as student advisors to our BASEF Organizing Committee. We thank this year's student advisors for all their efforts in making BASEF 2025 come to fruition!

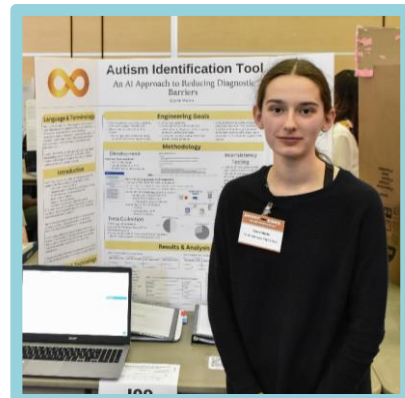
Evan Budz



Anthony Efthimiadis



Claire Marsh

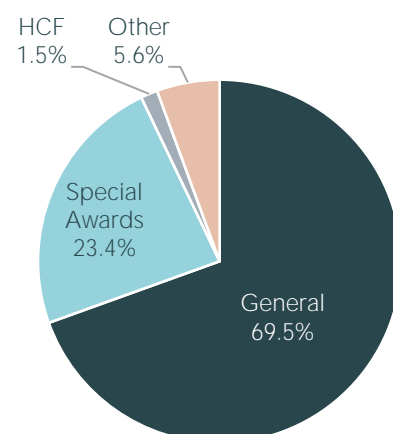


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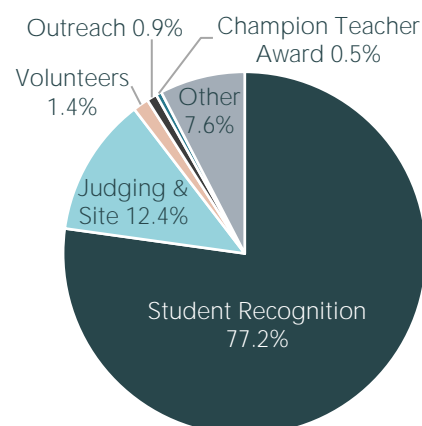
Statement of Operations

For the year ended August 31, 2025 (Unaudited)

| Revenue | 2025 | 2024 |
|---|------------|------------|
| General | \$ 83,432 | \$ 85,977 |
| Special awards | 28,050 | 26,150 |
| Distribution from the Hamilton Community Foundation | 1,832 | 1,868 |
| Other | 6,736 | 7,111 |
| | \$ 120,050 | \$ 121,106 |



| Summary of Expenses | 2025 | 2024 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Student recognition | \$ 102,513 | \$ 112,833 |
| Champion Teacher Award | 656 | 648 |
| Judging and site | 16,522 | 25,693 |
| Outreach | 1,165 | 470 |
| Other | 10,053 | 13,437 |
| Volunteers | 1,890 | 1,953 |
| | \$ 132,799 | \$ 155,034 |
| Excess of Expenses Over Revenue | \$ (12,749) | \$ (33,928) |



| 2025 Disbursements to Students | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| CWSF trips | \$ 45,570 |
| International science events | 14,805 |
| Merit awards | 7,920 |
| Participation awards | 4,778 |
| Prize expenses | 1,553 |
| Special awards | 27,887 |
| | \$ 102,513 |

| 2025 Other Expenses | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Administrative | \$ 4,256 |
| Bank charges | 126 |
| Ceremony | 768 |
| Marketing and publicity | 127 |
| Professional fees | 2,373 |
| Rent | 1,966 |
| Registration | 437 |
| | \$ 10,053 |

General Funding Sponsors

| Title (\$25,000+) | | |
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| Primary Fluid Systems Inc. | | |
| Diamond (\$10,000+) | | |
| ArcelorMittal Dofasco | | Hillfield Strathallan College |
| Platinum (\$5,000+) | | |
| | | |
| Gold (\$2,500+) | | |
| Enbridge | Mohawk College | Sun-Canadian Pipe Line |
| Silver (\$1,000+) | | |
| Burlington Hydro | Canadian Linen & Uniform Service | D.E.N.M. Engineering |
| Halton Catholic District School Board | Halton District School Board | Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board |
| Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board | McMaster University | Oakville Christian School |
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| Bronze (\$500+) | | |
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| Synapse Life Science Consortium | | |
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| John & Eleanor O'Flynn | David Reed | Dr. Nicola Simmons |
| Zhang Family | | |
| McGill Level (\$50+) | | |
| Jim Casey | Linda Millar | |

Notes: Those donating in-kind services help us provide an exceptional experience for BASEF participants. Key donations can include facility space, accounting, and teamwear. In addition to those listed above, BASEF also has donors who wish to remain anonymous.

Support BASEF



"Many thanks to all the organizations and individuals that have supported BASEF this year! Their cash and in-kind general funding donations allowed us to continue to provide this event to as many of this region's youth as we have. It is very much appreciated."

Is your place of business built on science, applied science, mathematical or engineering foundations? Are you interested in improving youth capabilities in personal self-confidence, presentation, and communication skills? BASEF sparks interest in youth that leads them to become the future ready workforce.

I'm always willing to talk to more people about possible financial support for the fair. You or your company can support BASEF through direct charitable donations of cash, donations of securities through "Canada Helps", workplace giving through "Benevity", or in-kind donations of items like meeting spaces, printing, storage facilities, and airline tickets. My name is Susan Olynyk and I can be contacted at Susan.Olynyk@basef.ca."

Susan P. Olynyk, P.Eng

BASEF 2025 Fundraising Chair

BASEF is entirely volunteer run. We receive no financial compensation for our efforts and no funding from federal or provincial governments. Donors like you are needed to provide BASEF's funding each and every year so that students can participate free of charge.

Should you wish to contribute to BASEF as a charitable donor, three options are available:

1. **Send your donation via e-transfer** to Treasurer@basef.ca. We are not set up for direct deposit, so please use "BASEF2025" as your security answer. Please also include your contact details with the e-transfer.
2. **Make a secure donation via PayPal Giving Fund** through our website:
<https://www.basef.ca/donate/>
3. **Mail a cheque** made payable to "Bay Area Science & Engineering Fair":
Bay Area Science & Engineering Fair
c/o BASEF Treasurer
143 Hyde Park Ave
Hamilton ON, L8P 4M8

BASEF is a registered charity (BN 11895 1565 RR0001), so you may request a tax receipt for income tax purposes. Please reach out to Treasurer@basef.ca for more information. Some charitable donors choose to remain anonymous, while others are acknowledged at the earliest opportunity in our Digital Program, on our Jumbotron screen, and during the Awards Ceremony. Just let us know your preference.

If your **place of business** would like to become a BASEF sponsor, please reach out to fundraising@basef.ca for more information and our sponsorship schedule. We would be happy to work with you. Support of a regional science fair is an excellent avenue for your organization to reach out into the community which you serve. You are helping the youth of this community to develop into scientifically and technologically-prepared adults for the workforce of tomorrow. For more information about BASEF sponsorship, please visit our website at the link below:

<https://www.basef.ca/becoming-a-basef-general-sponsor/>

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