Posters must be received by: Monday, March 8, 2027
St. Lawrence Secondary School, 1450 Second Street East, Cornwall, Ontario

About Science on the Wall

Science on the Wall lets younger students take part in the fair. Students pick a science topic, show what they learned on a poster, and every poster is displayed at the fair on **Saturday, April 3, 2027** at St. Lawrence Secondary School.

There is no student registration: your teacher sends in your poster.

Who can enter

- Students in **Grades 1 to 5** enrolled with S.D.&G. Public Schools, S.D.&G. Catholic Schools or Akwesasne Mohawk School Board schools.
- A poster is done by one or two students.
- Each school has a quota of **1 poster for every 8 students** in each grade. Your teacher chooses which posters are sent.

Get your younger students involved

The project fair is for Grades 6 to 12, but younger students do not have to wait. A poster is a great first step into science: pick a question you are curious about, find out the answer, and share it on the wall at the fair.

Posters are judged by the fair committee and **the winners are announced at the fair**. Winning posters receive ribbons. Posters and ribbons are returned to the schools after the fair.

Poster ideas

Choosing a topic

The topic must be something to do with science. The idea can come from anyone, but **the work must be done by the student**.

Topics from past posters

- How does thermal paper work?
- The water cycle
- The solar system, or the phases of the moon

- The life cycle of a butterfly or a frog
- Volcanoes
- Magnets
- Will it float or sink?
- A balloon-powered car
- Growing crystals
- Optical illusions
- Renewable energy sources
- The digestive system
- Bending water
- Elephant toothpaste
- Why things rust
- How gears work
- The layers of the atmosphere
- Coral reefs

Poster rules

Size and hanging

- **Size:** no larger than **40 cm × 65 cm** (about one half piece of Bristol board).
- **Nothing should hang below or above** the poster to make it larger than the required size.
- Posters are hung on the wall with **masking tape**. Make sure they are not so heavy and awkward that they can't be displayed.
- Posters do not have to be flat. Things can stick out: use your imagination, a certain amount of relief can be appealing.
- **Do not staple pages of information** on the poster.
- When the poster is hung on the wall, all of the printing should be easy to read.

Questions about the rules?

Questions about the poster rules can be directed to the chair at chair-test@ucsfair.org.

Label

Put your name on the **back** of the poster so we can identify it, like this:

> Marie Curie
> Grade 1
> School: St. Andrew's
> Teacher: Mr. N. Bethune

You can print the label below and fill it in.

On the label

- Poster title
- Student name
- Partner name (if any)
- Grade
- School
- Teacher

What the judges look for

What makes a good poster?

It should have lots of good, accurate scientific information, but also be neat, creative and have good spelling. Good luck!

Submitting posters

Posters must be received by **Monday, March 8, 2027**, at St. Lawrence Secondary School, 1450 Second Street East, Cornwall, Ontario.

Teachers: the quota, participant list and drop-off steps are on the Teachers page.

All posters are displayed at the fair, and the winners are identified then. Questions? Contact the chair at chair-test@ucsfair.org.

Science on the Wall (Grades 1 to 5)

How a class takes part

Science on the Wall is a poster program for students in Grades 1 to 5 enrolled with S.D.&G. Public Schools, S.D.&G. Catholic Schools or Akwesasne Mohawk School Board schools. Students do not register; you choose the posters and send them in. A poster is done by one or two students.

Each grade at your school can send **1 poster for every 8 students** in that grade, rounded up:

Students in the grade	Posters allowed
1 to 8	1
9 to 16	2
17 to 24	3
25 to 32	4
33 to 40	5

And so on. Example: 70 students in the grade ÷ 8 = 8.75, rounded up to **9 posters**.

Step by step

1. Share the poster rules and poster ideas with your class.

2. Choose your school's posters, within your quota.
3. Make sure each poster has the student's name, grade, school and teacher on the back (a printable label is below).
4. If possible, email a list of participants in an Excel or Word file to chair-test@ucsfair.org, with: title, student name, partner name (if any), school, grade and teacher. This ensures proper spelling.
5. Send the posters to St. Lawrence Secondary School, 1450 Second Street East, Cornwall, Ontario, so they are received by **Monday, March 8, 2027**.
6. All posters are displayed at the fair. Winning posters receive ribbons. Posters and ribbons are returned to your school after the fair.