## 2017 SLV Regional Science Fair – Monte Vista High School Results

Whoohoo, what a night!!!! After a lot of hard work, dedication, and late nights at the HS, we have our results from this year's Regional Science Fair! We were represented by TEN students this year, and they did a *fantastic* job presenting their research on Friday, 3/3 at Adams State University.

On behalf of the students, myself, and Mrs. Randolph, I would like to sincerely THANK all the parents, administration, and particularly staff members who accommodated, encouraged, and supported these students! We are **extremely** proud of them all!!

Bill Metz Elementary and MVMS also received a tremendous list of awards and recognitions, demonstrating once again that Monte Vista is a <u>leader</u> in STEM and academics!! Wonderful job to ALL the students!!

Following are the participating HS students, and the titles of their projects:

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Amanda Avila & Trinady Gonzales	Jogging Down Memory Lane
Zonnya Gallegos	Rescue Robot: Walking Robot
Roman Marquez- Fushia	Tsunami vs Wall: Which Will Break?
Amber Michel	What's Your Motivation?
Molly Nehring	Dancing with The Stars: Simulating Multi-Star Solar Systems and the Probability of Planetary Ejection
Parker Randolph	Examining the Effects of Martian Soil, Additives, Water Quality, and Companion Planting on Biomass and Plant Characteristics
Alyssa Rawinski	Western Snowy Plover Nest Site Characteristics and Use of Drone Imagery in Predicting Potential Nesting Habitat
Michael Savala	Ferro-solution? Can Iron Nanoparticles Help With Oil Spill Clean-up?
Tammy Vigil	Killin' Time: Does the Use of Devices Have an Impact on Grades?

In addition to the honors listed below, **Molly Nehring**, **Parker Randolph**, **Alyssa Rawinski**, and **Michael Savala** will represent MVHS at the Colorado Science and Engineering Fair (CSEF) on April 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Fort Collins, Colorado!!

And finally, both **Molly Nehring** and **Alyssa Rawinski** have qualified for the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) to be held in Los Angeles, CA, on May 14-19<sup>th</sup>, 2017!! Additionally, Monte Vista Middle School student **Sara Nehring** was awarded the honor of 8<sup>th</sup> grade Student Observer at ISEF, and will also be attending this prestigious, international research competition!! MVSD has achieved the science fair equivalent of a "hat trick"...This is the FIRST time Monte Vista has secured ALL THREE ISEF spots given at our Regional Science Fair!! Wow!!

Please wish ALL of our students the best of luck at these Fairs!





## **Project Category Awards**

Behavioral Sciences	Amanda Avila & Trindady Gonzales	1 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Behavioral Sciences	Amber Michel	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Earth & Space Science	Parker Randolph	1 <sup>st</sup> Place (CSEF Qualifier)
Engineering	Zonnya Gallagos	Honorable Mention
Environmental Sciences	Alyssa Rawinski	1 <sup>st</sup> Place (CSEF & ISEF Qualifier)
Environmental Sciences	Michael Savala	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place (CSEF Qualifier)
Physics	Molly Nehring	1 <sup>st</sup> Place (CSEF & ISEF Qualifier)

## **Academic and Presentation Awards**

Display Award	Parker Randolph	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Display Award	Molly Nehring	Honorable Mention
Paper Award	Parker Randolph	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Oral Presentation Award	Molly Nehring	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Originality Award	Parker Randolph	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Overall "Best of Fair"	Alyssa Rawinski	1 <sup>st</sup> Place

## Special Awards

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Office of Naval Research Award	Parker Randolph
US Air Force Award	Parker Randolph
US Air Force Award	Alyssa Rawinski
Center Soil & Water Conservation District Award	Parker Randolph
Soil & Water Conservation Society of America	Parker Randolph
Colorado Rio Grande Restoration Award	Alyssa Rawinski
SLV Ecosystem Council Award	Michael Savala
Colorado Field Institute Environmental Stewardship Award	Alyssa Rawinski
Wildlife & Natural Resources Conservation Award	Alyssa Rawinski

High School Lifestyle Improvement

Award

Alyssa Rawinski

Gonzales

High School Computer Award

Roman Marquez-Fushia

Amanda Avila & Trinady

Jason Romero Memorial Award

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Michael Savala

Women in Engineering Award

Zonnya Gallegos

American Meteorological Society Award

Roman Marquez-Fushia

American Phycology Association Award

Tammy Vigil

Mu Alpha Theta Award

Michael Savala

NASA Earth System Science Certificate

Parker Randolph

Stockholm Junior Water Prize

Michael Savala

Taking the Pulse of the Planet Award (NOAA)

Molly Nehring

Yale Science & Engineering Association

Parker Randolph

Award

MVHS now has had 141 students earn the honor of competing at CSEF!!!

MVHS now has had 52 students earn the honor of competing at ISEF!!!

Monte Vista High School has now earned the Large High School Award for <u>Thirty-six</u>

Consecutive Years!



