March 23 - 26, 2022
HYBRID ~ Online and In-Person
at EXPO NM Manuel Lujan Building

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Visit the [RESEARCH CHALLENGE VIRTUAL LOBBY](#) for instant access to virtual Research Challenge events!

*Link to the lobby will be emailed to participants and posted on our website no later than 3/20/22.*

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**March 21 – 26 ~ Virtual Lobby Open~ visit at your convenience!**

**PROJECT SHOWCASE** – browse all student research projects competing in Research Challenge

**STEM HALL** – visit profiles and interactive exhibits from our sponsors and community partners

**SPEAKERS & PANELS** – view engaging discussions with STEM professionals including:

- Research Challenge Alumni
- Health Professions
- Energy & Engineering Careers

**SCAVENGER HUNT** – Participating students, complete a scavenger hunt as you explore Virtual Research Challenge for your chance to win prizes!

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**Tuesday, March 22**

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  **Judging Workshop – Live on Zoom**
Students, prepare for judging day with long-time Research Challenge Master Judge Chairs Len Duda and Robert Deblassie as they provide tips to prepare for judging interviews and answer your questions.

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**Wednesday, March 23**

3:00 pm – 7:00 pm  **Project Set Up – EXPO NM, Manual Lujan Building**
All exhibitors **must** register and set up their projects during this time.  
*Doors will close promptly at 7:00 pm!*
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| 9:15 am – 12:00 pm | Junior Division Category Judging Interviews – *EXPO NM*  
EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES ONLY ON EXHIBIT FLOOR! Doors open at 9:00am. 9:15 is the required start time for ALL students. |
| 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm | Lunch Break — NOT PROVIDED — Concessions will be open.  
EXHIBIT HALL CLEARED OF ALL EXHIBITORS. |
| 1:30 pm – 3:45 pm | Junior Division Special Award Judging Interviews – *EXPO NM*  
EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES ONLY ON THE EXHIBIT FLOOR!  
Exhibitors must take project board and all other materials with them when they leave at the end of the day! |
| **Friday, March 25** |                                                                      |
| 9:00 am – 12:00 pm | Hands on activities with Air Force Research Labs and ¡Explora!  
(for ALL participating 4th & 5th grade students) – *EXPO NM* |
| 9:15 am – 12:00 pm | Senior Division Category Judging Interviews – *EXPO NM*  
EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES ONLY ON EXHIBIT FLOOR! Doors open at 9:00am. 9:15 is the required start time for ALL students. |
| 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm | Lunch Break — NOT PROVIDED — Concessions will be open.  
EXHIBIT HALL CLEARED OF ALL EXHIBITORS. |
| 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm | Elementary Division Judging Interviews – *EXPO NM*  
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| 1:30 pm – 3:45 pm | Senior Division Special Award Judging Interviews – *EXPO NM*  
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| **Saturday, March 26** |                                                                      |
| 5:00 pm | Grand Awards Ceremony – Live on Zoom and streaming on Facebook Live |

Note:  
Senior Division ~ high school  
Junior Division ~ middle school  
Elementary Division ~ 4th & 5th Grade