



المعرض الأردني الدولي
للعلوم والهندسة والتكنولوجيا

Rules & Guidelines

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Eligibility & Participation

- To participate, students must be in grades 6–12 and at least 12 years of age.
- Only one project may be submitted to JISTEF by each student.
- Only the original team members—a maximum of three students—may compete.
- Each school/organization may submit an unlimited number of projects, and the number of finalists is not limited.

Application and Submission

- Projects must be submitted in English or Arabic and be entirely the student's work.
- The use of artificial intelligence tools is permitted as an aid in writing, design, or research, but the tool used and how it is used must be clearly stated.
- To avoid disqualification, make sure to submit all required project materials in full before the specified deadlines.
- Before completing the application procedure, students must review the JISTEF website's categories to select the most suitable one for their project.

Travel & Chaperone Policy (Specifically for students from the North and South regions of Jordan)

- A trusted adult, such as a teacher, mentor, or adult relative, must accompany any student under the age of 18.
- With the exception of judging sessions, the adult in charge must remain with the student during the competition.



Media Release & Consent

- By participating in JISTF, you grant permission to be photographed, recorded, or interviewed for promotional and educational purposes.
- These materials may appear on social media, the JISTF website, publications, and newsletters.

Ethics and Integrity

- Every effort needs to be honest, creative, and properly cited.
- Plagiarism, false data, or inappropriate use of AI will result in immediate disqualification.
- When conducting research, students must respect both the environment and people's privacy.

Judging

- No translators or AI-generated responses may be used during judging.
- Judges (specifically for the final fair) will evaluate projects based on the following criteria:
 - Research Question & Originality (10 pts): Clear and focused purpose; identifies contribution to the field of study; testable using scientific methods.
 - Design & Methodology (15 pts): Well-designed plan and data collection methods; variables and controls are clearly defined, appropriate, and complete.
 - Execution & Data Analysis (20 pts): Systematic data collection and analysis; appropriate use of mathematical and statistical methods; sufficient data collected to support interpretation and conclusions.
 - Creativity & Potential Impact (20 pts): Project demonstrates significant creativity in one or more aspects (idea, method, implementation, or application); shows actual or potential impact in its field and/or in technology, economy, environment, or society.



- Poster (10 pts): Logical organization of material; clarity of graphics and legends; supporting documentation is clearly displayed.
- Interview (25 pts): Clear, concise, and thoughtful responses to questions; understanding of basic science relevant to the project; understanding of interpretation and limitations of results and conclusions; evidence of independence in conducting the project; recognition of potential impact in science, society, and/or economics; quality of ideas for further research; for team projects, clear contribution and understanding by all team members.
- Judges will deduct points for ethical breaches, lack of originality, or insufficient understanding of the project done by the student.
- At any point during the fair, judges can tell the judging committee to reject or disqualify a project if the student's conduct or performance is unprofessional, disrespectful, or if the project falls short of the expected academic standard.

Display & Safety Rules

- Display Regulations: The maximum dimensions of a project's display (Poster) are:
 - Width (Side to side): 122 cm
 - Height (Floor to top): 240 cm
 - Depth (Front to back): 76 cm

The mechanism supporting the poster must also conform to the maximum dimensions stated above.

- Important information should be readable from about 3 meters away
- Word count of the poster should be about 300 to 800 words
- All students are required to bring their own equipment, like a power extension cord, chargers, cardboard, etc



Virtual Booth

- As a first step in the judging process, all participants must create a virtual display and share their project with the public; however, students have the right to decline public sharing if they wish.
- Individuals should submit through their personal accounts. In addition, schools with multiple projects should not use a shared submission account.
- You may have your virtual booth data displayed in Arabic or English, but ensure consistency and professionalism throughout.
- Your virtual booth must include:
 - A clear completion of all sections is required.
 - Providing relevant supporting files or media, such as images, charts, or videos, is essential.
 - Proper citations for any external sources, research, or references used.
- Failure to complete your virtual booth by the deadline will result in disqualification from the judging process.
- Any feedback or corrections sent to you via WhatsApp or email from the organizational team of JISETF must be applied to your virtual booth as soon as possible.
- You may not make any changes after submitting your virtual booth.

Disqualification Conditions

Projects will be disqualified if:

- They fail to meet eligibility requirements.
- They submit late or incomplete work.
- They plagiarize or fabricate data.



- They violate safety or ethical standards.
- They break team rules or use unapproved methods.

Representation in International Fairs

- The best JISETF projects will be selected to participate mainly in the Regeneron ISEF exhibition and open the door to participation in other global competitions, including I-FEST, Genius Olympiad, and TISF.
- Projects selected for international competitions must comply with the specific rules and regulations of the fair they are participating in.
- Funding and financial support arrangements differ from one international competition to another. They are determined in each cycle according to the partnerships and sponsorships available at the time, and may also differ depending on the educational body the student belongs to.
- Arrangements for covering participation costs are determined separately for each international competition, in line with the resources and partnerships available in that cycle. JISETF works to secure what support it can for qualified teams and to assist them in reaching sponsors and supporting bodies, and each team is informed of the arrangements for its own participation after the selection results are announced. This does not constitute a commitment to cover the full costs; covering the costs of international participation remains a shared responsibility, organised in coordination between the fair, the team, and the supporting bodies.

