

[Lincoln University Showcases Student Researchers at 14th Annual Science Fair](#)

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, PA – Lincoln University, nationally recognized as a major producer of African Americans with undergraduate degrees in the physical sciences (biology, chemistry and physics), computer sciences, and the biological and life sciences, will award prizes to students competing in its 14th Annual Science Fair on Saturday, October 24, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

The competition, sponsored by Lincoln School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Combined Undergraduate Research Symposium, will be located in the student lounge of the University's new \$40.5 million, state-of-the-art Science and High Technology Building.

“Providing our students with the opportunity to develop an award-winning research project and present their findings in a distinguished forum, such as this, enhances their competitive edge in this global society,” says University President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D.

Over 30 talented Lincoln students will present their research from internships coordinated by one of the University's dedicated faculty members, and faculty from other research-intensive institutions. Most of the presenters are studying under the Lincoln University Grand Research Educational Awareness and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Center of Excellence. Several poster presentations will be by students from Lincoln School of Humanities, and School of Social Sciences and Behavioral Studies.

The competition is judged in four categories: Cell, Molecular and Environmental Biology; Cancer Biology, Physical Sciences; Population, Social Sciences and Humanities. First-place prize of \$400 will be presented by President.

All first-place presenters in each category will make a ten-minute oral presentation and answer questions from the judges. The winner of the oral presentation will additionally receive the Matthew Kinnard Best Poster Award of \$250 and a plaque. The award is named in honor of Dr. Matthew Kinnard, health science administrator and director of the Extramural Associates Program in the National Institutes of Health's Office of Extramural Research.

Students will be evaluated on their abstract, or summary of the problem; the background information and reasons for performing the work; visual aids; material methods; results and discussion; summary and conclusion; and responses to questions.

Judges of the competition are representatives of Lincoln University's partner institutions for research including: Penn State College of Medicine, Fox Chase Cancer Center, University of Pennsylvania, University of Massachusetts, Iowa University, and the University of Delaware.