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600+ Students to Compete in Regional Science & Engineering Fair *Students from Two Counties Submitting Projects*

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA - The Houston Regional Science and Engineering Fair will be held Feb. 3 – 5, 2010, at the Robins Air Force Base Museum of Aviation in the Century of Flight Hangar. An awards ceremony will be held Friday, Feb. 5, at 6:30 p.m. More than 600 middle and high school students from Houston County and Peach County public and private schools will compete.

The fair is open to the public from 10:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 5. Students will setup their display boards on Tuesday, Feb. 2, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Judges will interview participants on Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Three individual grand prizes will be awarded - one for the junior division and two for the senior division. One team grand prize will also be awarded to a senior team. Thirty-seven students will be honored as first-place qualifiers. Winners will compete at the State Science Fair in Athens, Ga. at the University of Ga., April 1-3, 2010. The International Fair will be held May 11 – 15, 2010, in San Jose, California.

The fair director is Dr. Ann Williams-Brown, coordinator of science. The chairperson of the scientific review committee is Cherri Nix, Houston County High School science teacher. They may be contacted at ann.williams@hcbe.net or cherri.nix@hcbe.net respectively.

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Note to Media: A great time for photo opportunities and interviews would be either during setup on Tuesday, Feb. 2, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. or during the Friday, Feb. 5, awards program at 6:30 p.m.