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Kentucky American Water Salutes the 2019 Science Fair Participants and Winners

Lexington, KY., (February 3, 2019) - Nearly 600 Fayette County public, private and home-school students in grades four through 12 participated in the 35th annual Kentucky American Water Science Fair coordinated by Fayette County Public Schools at Frederick Douglass High School in Lexington on Saturday, February 3. The event included 533 projects judged by approximately 180 professionals, as well as hands-on, educational exhibits and demonstrations collectively known as the Discovery Zone.

A total of 141 student projects received awards with six projects receiving special recognition from Kentucky American Water for demonstrating achievement in water science projects. *(See winners list that accompanies this release.)*

Kentucky American Water Vice President of Operations Kevin Rogers, Fayette County Public Schools Superintendent Manny Caulk and Lexington-Fayette Urban County Councilmember Angela Evans presented awards to the students.

Judges evaluated the student projects according to the following categories: animal sciences, behavioral and social sciences, biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology, chemistry, computer science, earth and planetary science, engineering, energy and transportation, environmental sciences, medicine and health sciences, microbiology, physics and astronomy and plant sciences.

Kentucky American Water initiated the science fair for junior high school students in 1985 as part of the company's centennial celebration. The next year, the company joined with Fayette County Public Schools in coordinating the event. The fair has been expanded twice: first in 1989 to include elementary school science projects, and again in 1991 to include high school projects.

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About the science fair, Fayette County Public Schools Superintendent Manny Caulk had this to say, “Every year I look forward to attending the Kentucky American Water District Science Fair, hosted by Fayette County Public Schools, and seeing the scientific discoveries being made by our students. The complexity and quality of their projects is truly phenomenal and demonstrates the advanced learning happening in this school district. To me, the science fair is a model event, because it showcases what it is possible when schools, families and the community work together to support our students. Science fair projects are a true blend of independent learning at home and classroom instruction. And Kentucky American Water is an exemplary corporate citizen here in Lexington and their unwavering support of this event for 35 years is a testament to their commitment to the children of our community. From the community exhibits to the student projects, there’s something for everyone at the science fair.”

Students who received awards at the district competition will advance to the Central Kentucky Regional Science and Engineering Fair to be held on March 2 at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School in Lexington.

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