

# PRESS RELEASE

## AWARD WINNING STUDENT BODY COMPETES IN SCIENCE FAIR

March 21, 2007 – On Thursday March 22, Gray Academy of Jewish Education will present their annual Science Fair in the Multi-Purpose Room from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. to showcase the latest scientific contributions of students in Grades 5 and 6.

The success of our school in meeting National Standards of Excellence has been mirrored by the extra-curricular achievements of our students in the areas of science.

Gray Academy has been well represented on the provincial stage over the years: In April 2006, 14 science projects received 13 medals at the Manitoba Science Symposium with Grade 8 placing third and Grade 7 finishing fourth; at the Manitoba Science Symposium in 2005, students received 16 medals for all 16 projects in competition.

The upcoming Science Fair is another opportunity for Gray Academy students to excel and possibly advance to the Manitoba Science Symposium in April 2007.

Examples of thought-provoking projects to be on display at the upcoming Science Fair:

- Are fabric softeners flammable?
- Is there too much fat on French fries?
- What brand of Band-Aids has the most adhesive stick?
- Whose mouth is cleaner: humans or dogs?
- Are there bacteria on lip gloss?
- Does cardiovascular fitness affect basketball foul shots?
- Is your house phone cleaner than your cell phone?
- Which plane wings hold more weight?

“I enjoy seeing students develop their science skills starting in the elementary grades right through to Grade 12. It gives me a feeling of accomplishment that we have nurtured the minds of our students and are able to help guide their career choices,” says Jamie Kagan, Department Head for Math and Science.

Mr. Kagan is also active in bringing an enriched science curriculum to Junior Kindergarten with scientific experiments taught in weekly lab-based environments that incorporates a mentoring program for students in Grades 9-11. In addition, with a recent Imperial Oil grant, the kindergarten staff will now build portable science stations to be used in each of the two classrooms, and improve science education by encouraging students to develop an interest in science at a young age.

Gray Academy of Jewish Education is a JK-12 university preparatory school that places equal value on Jewish and General academic programs, and provides opportunities to nurture the emotional well-being and spiritual development of all students.

**For a sneak preview of Science Fair at Gray Academy:**

**Thursday, March 22, 2007  
3:00 p.m.  
Multi-Purpose Room  
Gray Academy of Jewish Education  
123 Doncaster Street**

**Or**

**Thursday, March 22, 2007  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Science Fair (open to the public)  
Multi-Purpose Room**

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