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Brushy Creek Elementary Student receives Grand Prize **Greenville County Schools Elementary Science Fair**

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Roper Mountain Science Center has awarded the Grand Prize of the Elementary Science Fair to **Charlie Wright**, a fifth grader at Brushy Creek Elementary School. As Grand Prize winner, Charlie received a certificate, trophy and prize bag, along with a giant cookie to share with his classmates to celebrate his accomplishment. Brushy Creek Elementary received a trophy in honor of Charlie's award. Charlie also won First Prize in the 5th Grade Individual Project Competition.

Winning projects are selected at their schools then move on to compete at the county-wide competition. Twenty-six schools sent 226 individual and team projects in grades 3 through 5 to this year's fair. All students receive a gold, silver or bronze certificate in honor of their achievement. Projects are scored on a rubric by teachers and Roper Mountain Science Center staff.

A complete list of award winners is available on the Roper Mountain Science Center website at www.ropermountain.org.

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Grand Prize
Charlie Wright
Grade 5
Brushy Creek Elementary

"What's In Your Water?"



Greenville County Elementary School Science Fair Award Ceremony

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***** Award Winning Student Projects ***** Grades 3 & 4

Classroom Teams Awards: Certificates and a Giant Cookie for the Entire Classroom

GRADE THREE

First Place	Ms. Gray's Class	Oakview Elementary	"Candle Meltdown Mania"
Second Place	Ms. Belt's Class	Tigerville Elementary	"Hot or Not"
Third Place	Ms. Reeves' Class	Oakview Elementary	"What Type of Water Helps Germinate a Seed Faster?"
Fourth Place	Ms. Gailey's Class	Taylor's Elementary	"The Chocolate Chip Cookie Case"

GRADE FOUR

First Place	Ms. Gerard's Class	Oakview Elementary	"Which Insulator is Most Useful in Keeping a Glass Container of Water at the Lowest Temperature?"
Second Place	Ms. Spindler's Class	Tigerville Elementary	"Alka Seltzer Fizz Fizz Boom"
Third Place	Ms. Guth's Class	Sterling School	"The Warmer, the Better"
	Student Team: Julia Zhu & Madison Blanch		
Fourth Place	Ms. Laye's Class	Oakview Elementary	"What Type of Balloon Holds Air the Longest?"

Individual Projects Awards: Medal, Certificate and Prize Bag

GRADE THREE

First Place	Carson Erlewine	Bryson Elementary	"Which Fruit Juice Has the Most Vitamin C?"
Second Place	Sam Childs	Bells Crossing Elementary	"Sky High"
Third Place	Shannon Murphy	Oakview Elementary	"Want an Ice Cold Drink?"
Fourth Place	Gabby Trowbridge	Greenbrier Elementary	"To Bean or Not to Bean?"
Honorable Mention	Olivia Corvin	Oakview Elementary	"The Hershey Project"

GRADE FOUR

First Place	Faith Bloomstran	Oakview Elementary	"The Egg Drop"
Second Place	Alex Anthony	Mauldin Elementary	"Parachutes"
Third Place	Riley Southerland	Stone Academy	"Bendability of Bones"
Fourth Place	Brooks Davis	Brushy Creek Elementary	"How Do You Keep Your Drink Cold?"
Honorable Mention	Caitlyn Furr	Oakview Elementary	"Is Bigger Better?"

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First Place	Ms. Sutton's Class	E. North Street Academy	"Got Bacteria?"
Second Place	Ms. Power's Class Student Team: Nick Lenz, Lewis Simuel, Cassidy Rerer & Nick Jackson	Woodland Elementary	"Paper Football Fun"
Third Place	Ms. Guest's Class	Bethel Elementary	"Cracker Packers"
Fourth Place	Ms. Bolt's Class	Oakview Elementary	"Wipe Out"

Individual Projects Awards: Medal, Certificate and Prize Bag

GRADE FIVE

First Place	Charlie Wright	Brushy Creek Elementary	"What's In Your Water?"
Second Place	Kyle Schaffer	Bethel Elementary	"Get Your Cold Lemonade"
Third Place	Alli Lewis	Bell's Crossing Elementary	"The All-American Chewing Habit"
Fourth Place	Hiram Belt	Bell's Crossing Elementary	"Garbage or Energy?"

Oral Presentation Competition Awards: Trophy, Certificate and Prize Bag

First Place	Madi Lowe	Rudolph Gordon Elementary	"Who is the Quicker Picker Upper?"
Second Place	Anurag Shekar	Stone Academy	"Mumble Jumble"
Third Place	Blake Barrineau	Fountain Inn Elementary	"Fast, Faster, Fastest"
Fourth Place	Karly Kolodziejcki	Paris Elementary	"UV Lights Effect on Ink"

2012 Grand Prize Winner

Awards: School Trophy in Honor of Student, Student Trophy, Prize Bag & Certificate

Charlie Wright
(Debbie Winchester's Fifth Grade Class, Brushy Creek Elementary)
"What's in your Water?"