

# NeuroCOM Newsletter



We are a committee of faculty, staff, postdocs, and graduate students committed to fostering a sense of community and belonging within the Neuroscience Dept. We will periodically send updates of our activities focused on 3 areas:

Community, Outreach, and Mentoring.

## Outreach

Starting in 2024, we will be partnering with STARS (Science Teacher Access to Resources at Southwestern) on several activities including another Neuroscience Day Symposium and volunteering with the STARS summer camps.

### Volunteer for the STARS booth at DISD's STEM Expo!

**2/03/24 Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center**

Please fill out the following Google form to volunteer for a 2 hr timeslot.

<https://forms.gle/CRQVyd51CxrQNu5Z9>

### Volunteer to judge these upcoming science fairs!

**1/27/24**

#### Uplift Education District Science Fair

##### UTSW North Campus

- Grades 3-12
- 7:30 am – 10:00 am: Judging for primary school projects
- 10:45 am – 1:00 pm: Judging for middle and high school projects
- Breakfast or lunch will be provided (depending on which session you judge)

**1/27/24**

#### Plano ISD District Science Fair

- McMillen High School  
750 N. Murphy Road  
Murphy, TX 75094
- Judging time:  
7:30 am – 1:00 pm

**2/08/24**

#### North Dallas Elementary Regional Science Fair

- Grades 3-8
- Sockwell Center for Professional Development  
6301 Chapel Hill Blvd.  
Plano, TX 75093
- Judging time:  
11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Please send an email to Kristie Conner ([Kristie.Conner@UTSouthwestern.edu](mailto:Kristie.Conner@UTSouthwestern.edu)) in the STARS office if you are interested in judging.

## Community and Mentoring

Stay tuned for more on these activities in the New Year!

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