



# MASTODON ART/SCIENCE REGIONAL FAIR

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## First Annual County-Wide Student Fundraiser – Hats On For Mastodon!

*Hillsboro, MO: November 30, 2007:* The Mastodon Art/Science Regional Fair, the largest combined art and science fair in the nation, is asking students to wear a hat to school for a donation that will be given to the Mastodon Fair. “Hats On For Mastodon” will be an annual fundraising event held at public and private schools in the participating counties. The schools will be holding their hat day in December or January. Each school would have a Hats On For Mastodon day in which the students would pay a school-specified amount to wear a hat to school. All monies collected would go to fund the general operations of the Mastodon Fair.

Tom Guenzler, superintendent of Jefferson County R-VII said, “The Mastodon Art/Science Regional Fair has provided a great service for many of the R-7 students. We are honored to be able to give back a little to an organization that helps our children grow and learn.”

Vineland Elementary’s Principal, Adam Grindstaff stated their reason for the support of the Mastodon Fair, “I think the fair is a wonderful experience for all students involved. It opens everyone's eyes to the potential of our students. Furthermore, the fair experience gives students the opportunity to feel good about their accomplishment, all the while learning more about the scientific inquiry process.”

As of Nov. 30th, the participating districts are:

Crystal City 47  
DeSoto 73  
Dunklin R-V  
Fox C-6

Grandview R-II  
Jefferson Co. R-VII  
Sunrise R-IX  
Hillsboro R-III

By entering the 29<sup>th</sup> annual Fair March 15 – 18, 2008, students will compete for over \$35,000 in cash, prizes, awards and scholarships! The 2007 Fair was the largest ever and had over 2,200 student projects and over 6,400 visitors!

Registration for the 2008 Mastodon Art/Science Regional Fair (MASRF) will begin in January 2nd, 2008. Teachers, parents or homeschool teachers can enter one science exhibit (either as an individual or a group) for each 9 -12<sup>th</sup> grade student. Online registration ([www.masrf.org](http://www.masrf.org)) is free of charge.

The Mastodon Art/Science Fair has a 501(c)(3) tax status and is a not-for-profit organization. The mission of the Mastodon Art/Science Regional Fair is to hold a prestigious annual fair that promotes excellence in art and science for K-12 public, private and home-schooled students. Please visit our website at [www.masrf.org](http://www.masrf.org), or contact the Fair office at 636-797-3000 x 474. Additional information can also be obtained via email at [info@MASRF.net](mailto:info@MASRF.net).

***It's about kids we care, we're the Mastodon Fair!***