Established in 2002, the Washtenaw Elementary Science Olympiad (WESO) is a 100% volunteer-led 501(c)(3) organization which strives to enhance the quality of science education, increase student interest, and recognize outstanding achievement in STEM activities.

Each year, WESO brings together over 2,000 2nd - 5th grade students from local public, private, and charter schools from across Washtenaw County to compete in one of the largest Science Olympiads in the country. WESO encourages students to learn about science through active, hands-on, group participation. Through this experience, students see that science can be fun, exciting, and challenging; and the team spirit and good sportsmanship they develop, will be beneficial throughout their lives.

This year, WESO will be held on Saturday, April 20th at Ann Arbor Pioneer High School. We invite you to partner with us as an event sponsor, ensuring that WESO will remain accessible to all schools. Learn more about WESO on our website at www.wesoscience.org and our sponsorship opportunities on the attached information sheet.

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For more information, please reach out to the WESO Board at: weso@wesoscience.org.
WESO’s Mission:
- To promote scientific inquiry in young students.
- To enrich scientific education in elementary schools.
- To complement school science and math curriculum.

Each year, the goals for WESO include opportunities:
- For students to explore varied science concepts in a hands-on, fun and challenging environment and thus instill a curiosity and love of science in young students.
- To enrich the current math and science curriculum of lower and upper elementary schools.
- To improve children’s self-confidence, esteem, and ability while preparing for the Olympiad.
- To foster the ability to share knowledge and collaborate with teammates.
- To help kids acquire problem-solving skills.
- To help kids develop leadership, strategy, and organizational skills.
- To improve the quality of science education by providing resources in the form of workshops and materials to all schools.
- To honor student achievement through four grade-level award ceremonies.
- To continue to grow as we reach out to more elementary students in Washtenaw County to participate in WESO.

Partnership support provides operational and outreach support including:
- Offsetting day-of costs such as competition materials, printing, wayfinding and event signage, and volunteer supplies.
- Offsetting costs associated with our Open Events which provide hands-on learning opportunities for all WESO participants and their families throughout the competition day.
- Competition medals and other participant recognition.
- WESO school supplies including any WESO event materials and/or equipment needed for team practice.
- WESO event workshops or practice sessions for students (Zip-It and Feathered Friends)
- Scholarship support* in the form of:
  - Waived registration fees (~$300/school) for participating Title 1 schools.
  - Subsidized transportation costs to Ann Arbor Pioneer High School on the day of the Olympiad.
  - Subsidized T-shirts for schools who do not otherwise have the funds to purchase for the students. The t-shirt colors are unique to each school and make it easy to identify students in a given group and promote bonding within a school team.

*WESO is open to all elementary schools (students grades 2–5) located within Washtenaw County, Michigan. It is the policy of the WESO Board that all schools should have equal access to participate in the Olympiad free from financial barriers. Through generous support from community partners, the WESO Board offers scholarship support for qualifying schools.

Check out our 2023 WESO highlight video here: https://videopress.com/v/ACDCK52f.