Each year The Ohio Academy of Science, its members and volunteers promote science and science education in Ohio. Below are some highlights of the Academy’s activities and accomplishments over the past year.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Academy, or renewing your membership, please visit http://www.ohiosci.org/members/

**Annual Meeting 2019**

- Columbus State Community College was the site of the 128th Annual Meeting on April 13, 2019. Approximately 150 student and professional scientists presented research. The Annual Meeting was attended by nearly 300. Dr. Thomas Bridgeman (University of Toledo), Dr. Timothy Davis, (Bowling Green), and Dr. Silvia Newell (Wright State) provided a panel discussion – *Lake Erie: Ohio’s Great Lake-Status, Trends, and Threats.*

- A total of 19 Melvin Scholars were selected from among the pre-college presenters at the 2019 Annual Meeting and they will represent Ohio at the 2020 AJAS/AAAS Annual Meeting (Feb 12-15) in Seattle, WA.

- Cleveland State University will host the Academy’s 2020 Annual Meeting on April 18th. For more information, including how to submit an abstract, please visit: [http://www.ohiosci.org/annual-meeting-2020](http://www.ohiosci.org/annual-meeting-2020)

**State Science Day 2019**

Approximately 1,100 students advanced to the 71th Annual State Science Day on May 11, 2019 and was again hosted by The Ohio State University. These students competed for roughly 300 sponsored awards and scholarships value at nearly $400,000. AEP-Foundation, Battelle, CAS, Charles River, Ethicon, The Ohio Environmental Education Fund, and The Ohio Tuition Trust Authority College Advantage 529 Plan provided title sponsorship for State Science Day.

- More than 1,000 professionals volunteered to judge projects. Thank you for making this possible! State Science Day 2020 will take place May 9, 2020.
Buckeye Science and Engineering Fair

The 5th Buckeye Science & Engineering Fair (BSEF) took place on April 6, 2019 with 93 students competing for advancement to the International Science & Engineering Fair (ISEF) in Phoenix, AZ. CAS hosted BSEF, which was sponsored by AEP Foundation and Ethicon. BSEF 2020 is April 4th.

The 2019 Buckeye Science & Engineering Fair Finalists

BSEF 2020 will be on April 4th. Go to http://www.ohiosci.org/bsef/ for more details and how to help.

Ohio Environmental Science & Environmental Engineering Scholarship

- This program is funded by The Ohio EPA’s Environmental Education Fund.
- Sixteen students were awarded in 2019 and these scholarships totaled $40,000
- Since 2000, $909,950 has been awarded to 369 students from 51 different Ohio colleges and universities.
- The deadline for the 2020 scholarship application is April 15th. For more information, please visit http://www.ohiosci.org/oeef-scholarship/

The Ohio Journal of Science

- A total of 5 manuscripts have been published in The Ohio Journal of Science Vol. 119 No. 2. They are now available online: https://library.osu.edu/ojs/index.php/OJS/index

The Governor’s Thomas Edison Awards for Excellence in STEM Education and Student Research

First established in 1985, the Governor’s Thomas Edison Awards recognizes Ohio schools and teachers who stimulate scientific student research and technological design and extend opportunities beyond traditional classroom activities.

This year, The Ohio Academy of Science was proud to recognize 61 schools and 672 teachers with this distinguished award. For more information, including the press release, please visit http://www.ohiosci.org/thomas-edison/