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Dear Presidents of Institutions:

Re: Research Day at the Capitol 2012

Research Day at the Capitol is an annual event sponsored by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE), the Oklahoma Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), and the National Science Foundation. The purpose of Research Day is to inform the Legislature and the public about the high quality research being conducted at Oklahoma's colleges and universities. On behalf of the Oklahoma EPSCoR Advisory Committee and the OSRHE, I am very pleased to invite your institution to participate in a celebration and recognition of undergraduate student research at the State Capitol on Thursday, March 15, 2012. This annual event, inaugurated in 1996, will showcase undergraduate research in the areas of science (including social science), technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Each campus is invited to nominate an outstanding research project(s) conducted by an Oklahoma undergraduate student. Students nominated will prepare poster displays to be presented in the rotunda at the Capitol. The students will also have the opportunity to visit with their districts' Senators and State Representatives. Institutions may nominate one undergraduate student research project with the following exceptions: The University of Oklahoma (OU) - Norman may nominate two; OU Health Sciences Center may nominate two; Oklahoma State University may nominate four; and The University of Tulsa may nominate two projects. The nominations are distributed in this way because some campuses have multiple colleges conducting research.

The lead undergraduate student on each nominated project, who must be an Oklahoma resident, will receive a stipend to defray the cost of preparing the poster. In addition, posters will be competitively judged and students will be eligible to receive awards. The details of the program and schedule of activities are provided in the attachments to this letter. The deadline for nominations is December 5, 2011.

We hope that your institution will participate in this unique event. Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Gina Miller, Outreach Coordinator, 405.744.7645 or gmillers@okepscor.org.

Sincerely,

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Attachments