

A Ballston Spa science project is going to space

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Three science experiments designed by students from the Ballston Spa school district are under consideration for space flight aboard the space shuttle Endeavour. Students submitted 70 projects to the Student Spaceflight Experiment Program.

A local review team made up of engineers and representatives from GlobalFoundries and the Children's Museum of Science and Technology in Troy reviewed 26 proposals and chose the top three for national review. One of the three will be on board the shuttle on its final flight, Feb. 27, 2011.

The selected projects were: "The Effect of Gravity on Bacterial Reproduction" and "Affect of Penicillin in Microgravity," from the high school; and "The Development of Minnow Fish Eggs in Space," from the Milton Terrace South Elementary School.

Ballston Spa is one of 16 communities in the country participating in the program, hosted by the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education and NanoRacks LLC.

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