



WHY SHOULD I DO SENIOR DIVISION (9TH - 12TH GRADE) SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS? WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

PLENTY!

TO QUOTE A FORMER PARTICIPANT -

"THE SCIENCE FAIR **TURNS DREAMS INTO REALITIES** - IT'S A **STIMULATING** EXPERIENCE, A COMPETITION IN WHICH YOU AND YOU ALONE ARE **CHALLENGED**."

HERE ARE BUT A FEW OF THE **BENEFITS** TO SENIOR DIVISION COMPETITION:

- ◆ **A BIG PLUS ON COLLEGE, SCHOLARSHIP AND JOB APPLICATIONS** - A LEG UP ON THE COMPETITION!
- ◆ MEMBERSHIP IN THE SCIENCE FAIR **HONOR SOCIETY** - THE STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD
- ◆ PROJECTS MAY BE ENTERED IN **OTHER COMPETITIONS** - e.g., THE INTEL SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH, (AWARDS MANY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS)
- ◆ **GETTING TO KNOW PEOPLE** FROM THROUGHOUT SAN DIEGO AND IMPERIAL COUNTIES AND, IN THE CASE OF OTHER COMPETITIONS, FROM AROUND THE WORLD
- ◆ **SATISFYING SENIOR PORTFOLIO REQUIREMENTS:**
 - ◆ **COMMUNITY SERVICE (WORKING WITH THE STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD)**
 - ◆ **SCIENTIFIC LITERACY AND METHOD**
 - ◆ **INDEPENDENT RESEARCH**
 - ◆ **WRITING SKILLS**
 - ◆ **MATHEMATICAL AND ANALYTICAL SKILLS**
 - ◆ **ORAL PRESENTATIONS**
 - ◆ **FINDING THE ANSWERS TO YOUR OWN QUESTIONS**
 - ◆ **CARRYING AN IDEA THROUGH TO COMPLETION**
 - ◆ **WORKING TO DEADLINE**
 - ◆ **RESPECTING HUMANE AND SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS**
 - ◆ **DOCUMENTING PROCEDURES**
 - ◆ **CREATING ARTISTIC DISPLAYS**
 - ◆ **INTERVIEWING AND WORKING WITH PROFESSIONAL SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS**
 - ◆ **DEFENDING YOUR WORK IN INTERVIEWS WITH JUDGES**

SO - IF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL HAS A SCIENCE FAIR, PARTICIPATE!

IF IT DOESN'T, CALL MARY DOMB MIKKELSON (619-265-2698) TO ARRANGE FOR YOUR SENIOR DIVISION PROJECTS TO BE SCREENED.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!