Workshop #6 - Post-STEM Fair Activities

Presented by the GSDSEF SLB Outreach Committee



SLB Introductions!

Agenda

Why continue your research? How to go further: Taking your research to the next level Mentoring time: ask our SLB members on their experiences in research beyond the fair!

Sustainability in Research

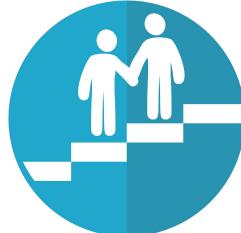
Benefits of pre-collegiate research:

- Research skills
- Experience
- Connections
- College Applications
- Fun!!!



Continuing to Participate in Research

- Additional conferences/competitions
- Filing Patents or publishing in HS journals
 - Continuation projects
 - Research programs
 - Getting a research mentor
 - Taking a class
 - Science clubs and societies



Competitions - Middle School

3M Young Scientist Challenge







*must qualify through GSDSEF or CSEF

Competitions - High School

- JSHS(Junior Science and Humanities Symposium) https://www.jshs.org/
- Google Science Fair (only happens some years)





IYRS (International Youth **Research Summit**) https://www.helyx.science/iyr S-ii **IYRS** International



Competitions - High School

BioGenius*



ISEF (International Science and Engineering Fair)*



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Competitions - Field Specific

Stockholm Junior Water Prize



Clean Tech Competition



Publications (engineering or science)

- What: condensing your research report and publishing in a journal
- Why: publications are the work of professional scientists!
- **How:** we recommend high school level publications
 - Journal of Youths in Science (JOURNYS)
 - National High School Journal of Science (NHSJS)
 - Canadian Science Fair Journal (CSFJ)
 - Be sure to read manuscript directions before submitting!

Iournal of Science





Patents (engineering)

What: a way to protect your IP and unique innovations **Why:** so others don't steal your ideas -- useful if planning to continue research or create company based on your idea

How: Adapt the things you have already written for GSDSEF for patent

- Two phases of patent provisional and non-provisional
- Types of patent design vs utility -- most likely want a utility patent on your engineering project
- Likely want to consult a patent attorney for the non-provisional

Resource on patent filing from USPTO

Continuation Projects

• What did you test this year?

- Are there any new variables that you think could be interesting?
 - Are there other methods that you haven't considered?
- Is there a variable that you controlled previously (this could become your new independent var.)?



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Heithoff-Brody Scholars Program (Salk)

Stonybrook's Simmons Summer Research Program





Simons Summer Research Program

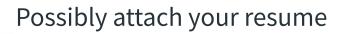
Research Mentors & how to get one

- What: a scientist in your field who's willing to teach you
- Why: their expertise will be invaluable to guiding you
- How:
 - Cold Emailing
 - Through personal connections
 - Participating in research programs and following up



Cold Emailing

- What to include in a cold email:
 - How you found out about their research/what about their research interests you (be specific!)
 - What you have done in relation to their research (your science fair project)





Higher Education

 Advanced college courses for your field

- O Highly useful in research!
- Mentors & teachers can point you towards niche, online classes for
 your research



Societies: Clearwater Innovation

- If you have an environmental/water related project, contact <u>emilytianshi2014@gmail.com</u> or <u>kyletianshi@gmail.com</u> to schedule an interview with Clearwater Innovation
 - If you're interested in environmental advocacy, contact us to join the organization





Societies: Helyx Initiative

Interested in bioinformatics research?



Check out The Helyx Initiative: <u>helyx.science</u>

Free bioinformatics workshops + seminars, as well as leadership opportunities

Thank you!

We hope this was useful and you enjoyed competing in the GSDSEF!

Chat Q&A - we will now answer chat questions for the general group