Poster guidelines

The poster must be mounted on the exhibit board provided at the venue and may not exceed its dimensions, which are 36” × 40”. In case of any issues with the dimensions, please contact us. Velcro mounting strips will also be provided. Posters will be judged on their quality in the following areas:

**Content** The poster should testify to the careful design and execution of the research, and present clear results that are well interpreted. It should include: (1) a short title of the exhibit; (2) student’s name; (3) collaborators, adviser(s), and department(s); (4) funding sources; (5) objectives; (6) significance to the field; (7) methods; (8) results/findings; (9) interpretation of results and conclusions; (10) directions for future research

**Display**

The poster should attract attention and convey information. Language should be simple and descriptions brief. Unnecessary jargon should be avoided; necessary technical terms should be defined. Spelling and grammar must be correct. All text should be large enough to be read from a distance of 4 to 6 feet. Photographs, drawings, charts, tables, or graphs should be simple, well organized, and carefully chosen to quickly explain complicated technical concepts to a general audience. All components of the poster should be easy to follow even in the absence of the presenter.

**Oral presentation**

Each student should have prepared an oral discussion of her exhibit. This discussion should be clear and concise, and should include the major points presented on the poster (numbers 5 through 10 above). It should not exceed 5 minutes; judges will be instructed to observe this time limit. If the student worked with collaborators on the project, including her adviser, this presentation should clearly describe the student’s role in the overall project.