Joseph Henry Science Fair
Guidelines
Grades 7–8

1. The work MUST be entirely that of the student. The judges will look for parental involvement and penalize accordingly.
2. Projects should be experimental. They should …
   a. state a question
   b. have a hypothesis
   c. state procedures
   d. include data tables and, if possible, graphs
   e. state conclusions of the project
   f. include a databook or journal recording stages and finding of the project.
3. There should be no experiments on vertebrate animals.
4. Projects may take up a maximum of 3 X 4 feet of table space. Floor space may also be used. (**please be aware that floor space between tables is limited)
5. No dangerous or harmful materials may be used. No open flame will be allowed.
6. There should be a three-dimensional component to the project.
7. Ideas can come from any source.
8. Projects should be neatly displayed and composed.
9. Projects should contain as much material as possible to make the project complete and understandable.
10. Computers may be used for lettering, writing reports, data gathering, etc., but should not be the focus of the project. The computer, if used, should be a tool to help explain the project.
11. A poster is not a project in itself. It can and should be a part of the project.
12. The student’s name and project title should be clearly placed on the front of the project. NO SCHOOL NAME IS TO APPEAR ANYWHERE.
13. A good project should have …
   a. a display board
   b. materials that fit a 3 X 4 foot table space
   c. a written summary of the project
   d. a journal or databook kept during the project.

TEAM PROJECTS will be allowed this year.
A team or group may consist of no more than four (4) participants.

GROUP PROJECTS will be allocated a full 8-foot table.
NAMES of all students involved must be placed on the front of the project
Two DISPLAY BOARDS will be allowed for group projects.