

Dear Scientist/Engineer:

This letter contains a list of recommendations to help your Science and Engineering Fair experience to go more smoothly. Look over the list. Ask your parents or teacher if you do not understand something.

Good luck! Science and Engineering Fair Committee

Recommendations for a better presentation:

- 1. **DRESS NICELY!** You will be talking to the judges. You are judged on your appearance as well, so look nice.
- 2. **SPEAK CLEARLY!** The judges will be asking you questions. Be proud of the project you have completed and do not be afraid to tell the judges things you learned and/or things you wish you would have done differently.
- 3. **STAND STILL!** Do not play with your clothes or twirl your hair. Stand with confidence and be alert at all times. You never know when the next judge will ask you a question so you want to be prepared at all times. Keep your hands behind your back if you need to.
- 4. **VOCABULARY USAGE!** Use phrases such as "I learned...", "The best part of my project was..." "My experiment taught me...", "Science is always changing because...". Stay away from words such as "ya know", "uh-huh", "ummm", "I don't know", "whatever" or any slang words.
- 5. **BE POSITIVE!** Even if you were not able to prove your experiment, that doesn't mean you failed. Science is always changing and never predictable, therefore be positive and do not be afraid to tell the judge you will just have to try a different method next time.
- 6. **STAY WITH YOUR PROJECT!** Do not leave your project until you have been directed to do so. If you are not with your project when a judge comes, you will miss possible points.
- 7. **SMILE!** Judges love to see a smile on your face! This shows them you are excited to be there and excited about Science.