**Research Poster Board Rubric**

* Poster Due Thursday, **May 16th (A) or Friday, May 17th (B)**
* Posters must be a 36 in. x 48 in. tri-fold board (can be purchased inexpensively at major retailers, there is no need to spend a lot of money)
* Posters can be made in a traditional manner (cutting out sections and gluing on the board) or by using a large format printer at a print shop and mounting it on a tri-fold board
* Posters MUST be taken home by the last day of school or they will be thrown out (you need your board next year, plan accordingly)
* Helpful hint: black boards are more forgiving of mistakes and help with negative space if you are concerned

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| **Required content present** | **Deductions** | **Required Sections- the presence of all sections is worth 30 total points out of 100** | |
| 10 percentage points will be deducted per missing section | * Research title (can be shortened) * Student name * Research question and/or hypothesis * Abstract * Introduction * Materials and methods | * Results (text) * Results (graphs, data tables, representative images, or infographic) * Conclusions * Discussion * Implication and Future Directions * Citations |
| **Professional Appeal of Exhibit** | **5 points** | **10 points** | **15 points** |
| * Poster does not meet two standards in column three | * Poster does not meet one of the standards in column three | * Titles and headings are clearly visible. * No handwriting, white out, or cross-outs are present. * Professional, consistent fonts. * Appropriate use of color * Images are relevant to the study |
| **Neatness and Organization** | **5 points** | **10 points** | **15 points** |
| * Poster does not meet the standards in column two or three * Poster has many issues that detract from the quality and understanding of the board | * Poster does not meet the standards in column three * Poster has some issues with flow OR neatness, but neither issue detracts from the overall quality or understanding of the board | * All sections mounted neatly and in straight lines. * No white mounted on white. * Glue is not visible or bubbled. * No tape * Flow of presentation board follows flow of paper * All information is bulleted in short, easy to read sentences. No paragraphs (except abstract). |
| **Grammar and Spelling** | **0 points** | **5 points** | **10 points** |
| * Three or four errors present | * One or two errors present | * Free of grammatical and spelling errors (complete sentences are not necessary for bullets) |
| **Relevance of information presented** | **5 points** | **10 points** | **15 points** |
| * Poster does not meet the standards in column two or three * Content selected is loosely related to the topic AND * Content selected does not clearly connect to the research question | * Poster does not meet the standards in column 3 * Content selected is loosely related to the topic OR * Content selected does not clearly connect to the research question | * Content selected is related to the topic * Content selected clearly connects to the research question |
| **Detail of information presented** | **5 points** | **10 points** | **15 points** |
| * Poster does not meet the standards in column two or three * Content lacks detail AND * Content selected is written in too much detail to understand the topic quickly AND * Content selected is overly technical | * Poster does not meet the standards in column three * Content lacks detail OR * Content selected is written in too much detail to understand the topic quickly OR * Content selected is overly technical | * Content selected is sufficiently detailed for the viewer to understand all aspects of the project * Content selected helps the general public understand the topic * Content selected is limited to the most important information about the project |

A score of zero will be awarded in any row if the board does not meet the minimum requirement stated for that row.