

Poster Presentations

Poster presentations are quite different from oral presentations. In an oral presentation, the student(s) involved in a project stand before a large audience in a classroom, speaking for 15 minutes about their projects and then entertaining audience questions. In contrast, poster presentations take place in the College Center Lobby. Posters line the walls, with the student(s) responsible for each project standing beside their posters for approximately one hour. Guests are invited to browse the poster displays during this session, stopping at each poster to hear students discuss their projects and to ask questions.

Each poster presenter is expected to work closely with a faculty mentor in the weeks and months leading up to Scholars Day to develop an organized, informative, and polished presentation, and to prepare the appropriate materials, including a poster. Posters must be created in PowerPoint, using a white background, with dimensions of 36" (height) x 48" (width). Prior to the event, presenters will be provided with a blank poster template to use as a guide.

Posters must be saved on a flash drive and submitted (in person) to Anh Gibson, Faculty Secretary for Math and Sciences (located in Cannon 101). Mrs. Gibson will help you print your poster for free so long as it is properly formatted and **submitted by Monday, April 7**. If a student fails to submit his/her poster by this deadline, then he/she must personally arrange (and pay) for printing, which costs at least \$75 and may cost considerably more, so it is very important for poster presenters to complete their posters by the deadline.

Poster presenters are encouraged to review and practice their presentations several times – before an audience, if possible. This will help you feel more comfortable discussing your project.