

## Scholars Day 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 mostly white background, with dimensions of 36" (height) x 42" (width). Students may choose their own template as long as it works with the 36" X 42" dimensions.

Posters must be saved on a flash drive and submitted to the designated Scholars Day Committee member by April 1st. Directions on where to submit the posters will be sent to each accepted presenter. If a student fails to submit his/her poster by this deadline, then he/she must personally arrange (and pay) for printing, 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.