## FunFest 2025 Research Poster Competition High School Competition Rules

Objective: Teams will conduct research and create an onsite Research Poster on their findings. The Research Poster provides students with the opportunity to think critically about a health-related issue in their community, conduct research on that topic and develop a Research Poster and display their findings and present their research to a panel of judges.

## Entries & Judging

Participants: MCS has a maximum of 20 time slots for teams of 2-3.

Submission: No submissions prior to FunFest are Determining the winner: Judges will use the rubric pro

poster and presentation. The highest rubric score wins.

In the Event of a tie

The Research Poster Content: The research poster will contain the following:

- 1. TITLE
  - a. The title should highlight the research to be conducted by the competitor and gain the attention of the viewers.
  - b. 100 words maximum
- 2. ABSTRACT
  - a. An abstract is a brief summary of the research.
  - b. Include the overall purpose of the study and the research problem(s) investigated.
  - c. Describe the basic design of the study of the objectives.
  - d. Explain the major findings found as a result of analysis.
  - e. Provide a brief summary of interpretations and conclusions.
  - f. 250 words maximum
- 3. METHODS
  - a. Describe the research methods that led to the results.
  - b. Identify the target population.
  - c. Explain how data was collected accurately.
  - d. Explain how the data was analyzed.
  - e. Explain possible errors and biases in the methods.
  - f. 200 words maximum
- 4. RESULTS
  - a. Describe qualitative and quantitative results.
  - b. Present the data analysis employed.
  - c. Explain why the results matter.
  - d. Use supportive charts and figures.
  - e. 200 words maximum
- 5. CONCLUSIONS
  - a. Emphasize the major results and try to convince why the results are interesting.
  - b. Explain the relevance of your findings to your community and our world.
  - c. 200 words maximum
- 6. REFERENCES
  - a. List the literature cited and gave guidance to the project.
  - b. American Psychological Association (APA) is the preferred resource in Health Sciences.
  - c. 100 words maximum
- 7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
  - a. Thank anyone who helped make the project possible.
- 8. IMAGES
  - a. Crunch the data into graphs, tables, statistics, and/or quotes that illustrate the findings. Include photos and illustrations that reflect the research. Use 2 to 5 images.
  - b. Logos from community agencies involved in the research are acceptable.

Stage Presence