

Honors Science Project Expectations

EACH honors level science student is required to complete the following tasks individually:

- 1. Research current and credible published studies related to a scientific topic (may vary by discipline)
- 2. Write literature review paper based on research
- 3. Design a content-specific experiment to address a scientific question
- 4. Safely collect data
- 5. Analyze data and complete relevant calculations and statistical analyses
- 6. Draw conclusions about posed question based on data collected
- 7. Complete a formal lab report with the sections listed below
 - Title Page
 - Abstract
 - Introduction
 - Literature Review with Bibliography
 - Statement of Purpose/Hypothesis
 - Materials and Methods
 - Data and Results
 - Discussion and Analysis of Data (including error analysis)
 - Conclusion
- 8. Present findings to peers (visual and oral component)

If any student is interested in competing in the Plymouth Science Fair, he/she must ALSO:

- 1. Complete all relevant paperwork on time to be submitted for approval
- 2. Postpone all data collection until project is officially approved by Institutional Review Board/Scientific Review Committee (if project warrants approval)
- 3. Find a "designated supervisor" or "qualified scientist" to assist in data collection (if project warrants approval by Institutional Review Board/Scientific Review Committee)
- 4. Present findings to Plymouth community and science fair judges