The one factor that is critical to the success of all science projects is the choice of the topic. Finding a subject can be the most difficult part of the experience! KEEP IN MIND YOU MUST DO AN EXPERIMENT OR BUILD A 3-D MODEL FOR YOUR SCIENCE FAIR PROJECT!

When looking for an idea you must choose a topic that is related to SCIENCE. If you can find the subject in your textbook, it will probably be approved. It should be a topic you find interesting and fun. Choose a project that is within your capabilities and means. A science project is different compared to other research papers that you have done, because it will take you approximately 5 months to complete.

Your project needs to have an original viewpoint to be a success. No two people within the same section will be allowed to do the exact same topic!

Once you find a topic, it’s a good idea to analyze the feasibility of your plans. You must decide whether you can actually complete the project in the time available. Here’s a checklist to help you decide:

☐ Is the information that I need readily available to me?
☐ Where can I find the information?
☐ If the information is not available locally, where can I get it? How long will it take to get?
☐ Will I need to pay for my information?
☐ If I need special books, can I check them out of the library or must I use them there?
☐ Will I need professional advice? Who do I ask?
☐ Are they willing to help? Will it cost anything?
☐ What supplies will I need? What will it cost?
☐ Can I build some of the things I need? Do I need help to build it?
☐ Can I borrow some of the supplies and equipment I need? Who do I ask?
☐ Do I have the money for my supplies and equipment? Will my parents give me their Platinum credit card?
☐ Is there anything about my project my family might object to?
SCIENCE FAIR #2 – CHOOSING A TOPIC – 15 POINTS

List two (2) possible choices for your Science Fair project.

1. List 2 project choices
2. Give a brief description of what the project will be focused on.
   Will you be doing an EXPERIMENT or MODEL?
   DESCRIBE IT!
3. Put a STAR (*) next to the project you would like to do.
4. Tell me where the idea originated. (Title of book, magazine, TV show, person’s name, etc.)

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