

Information on Required Abstract & Certification for ALL Projects at the SSEF of Florida

Completing the Abstract

After finishing research and experimentation, you are required to write a (maximum) 250 word, one-page abstract. This should be written on the Official Abstract and Certification Form as provided by the State Science and Engineering of Florida.

The Abstract should include the following:

- a) Purpose of the experiment
- b) Procedure
- c) Data
- d) Conclusions

It may also include any possible research applications. Only minimal reference to previous work may be included.

The abstract may **NOT INCLUDE** the following:

- a) Acknowledgements (including naming the research institution and/or mentor with which you were working)
- b) Self-Promotions and external endorsements
- c) Work or procedures done by the mentor

The top of the Abstract should include:

Title Student's Name School Name, City and State, Country

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At the bottom of the Abstract & Certification form there are five questions. Please read each carefully, answer appropriately, and sign in the signature box to certify your answers. The SSEF Scientific Research Committee will review and approve the abstract and answers to the questions.

Revisions or questions will be resolved on site at the SSEF. Bring a copy of your Abstract to the fair. Only after final SRC approval has been obtained via a stamped copy of this Abstract may a Finalist make copies to hand out to the judges and the public.