

# Abstract Contest Entry Form for Grades 4-12 – Special category contest presented by the Alaska Professional Communicators for the Alaska Science & Engineering Fair

## Instructions for the Abstract Contest

1. **Submit an abstract only if your project is an experiment.** Do not submit an abstract for a collection, model, or demonstration.
2. **The abstract should be written by the student(s).** For team projects (two or three students), submit one abstract with all the students' names on a single abstract form.
3. **Language:** English.
4. **Content:** Your abstract should briefly summarize or highlight the major points of your project, including, in order, your **Purpose, Procedures, Data and/or Results, Conclusion, and Reflections or Application.** Use this as a checklist to make sure your abstract is complete.
5. **Format:** An abstract should be one continuous paragraph. There is no need for “decoration” such as headings, paragraph breaks, labels, or graphics.
6. **Length:** Your abstract should be **between 100 and 250 words.** Abstracts longer than 250 words will be disqualified from winning a cash prize. Yes, judges count words!
7. **This is a fillable PDF.** You can digitally enter your information and abstract text directly into the form. A scan or photo of a hand-written abstract will also be accepted with this form as a cover page.
8. **When you finish this form, save it with a helpful identifying file name, then upload** the filled form (or scan or photo of the form and hand-written abstract) along with your other project materials to the online science fair registration platform before the event.

## Entrant Information and Certification

<b>Project title</b> <i>Enter the same title you used for online registration</i>

<b>Entrant name(s)</b> <i>Enter one, two, or three student names per project</i>	<b>Grade (3-12)</b>
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<b>School name and location</b> <i>If entering independently of a school, enter a mailing address for awards</i>

**Category/Contest entered** *6th grade may choose either elementary or middle school*  
Elementary School (4-6)                      Middle School (6-8)                      High School (9-12)

**Certification** *Check the box only if the statement is true for you*  
This abstract describes only procedures performed by me/us, reflects my/our own independent research, and represents one year's work only. I/we certify that the abstract and the responses to this form's statements are correct and properly reflect my/our own work.

## Abstract Entry Form for Grades 4-12, Continued.

**Hint that applies to almost everyone!** If you already entered your abstract in your full project write-up (and you should have!), **copy** it from your project materials **and paste** it here. This saves time and avoids new typos.

Click in the box to enter (or paste) your abstract text. Or, for a hand-written abstract, enter, "Hand-written abstract attached," and upload a scan or photo of the abstract with this form to your online registration account. Either way, this form is required.

Project Abstract