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 - Maximum 4,500 words (body)
 - \$15 registration fee paid
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Paper content

- Cover sheet – title; student's name, home address, email, grade; school name, address; sponsor name, address, email
 - Title page – top: title CAPITALIZED, author; middle: abstract; bottom: student email, school, city/town
 - Abstract (below title) – ABSTRACT (capitalized); 200 words or less; includes problem, methods, summary of results, conclusions
 - Body – 4 main sections with CAPITALIZED headings: Introduction; Methods; Results; Discussion or Conclusions
 - Acknowledgements, references, and appendices as needed
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Originality

- Original work by student, not library research or replicating previous work
 - No use of artificial intelligence agents such as ChatGPT for writing
 - Acknowledges previous work, background research, and assistance
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Problem

- States and defines the problem
 - Demonstrates an understanding of problem
 - Limits scope of investigation
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Approach

- Demonstrates a systematic approach
 - Demonstrates understanding of the processes and practices of science and engineering
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Effort

- Demonstrates you were engaged
 - Demonstrates you learned, invented, or discovered something
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