

Display Board Guidelines

1. PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR DISPLAY BOARD FROM THE SCHOOL. WE WILL BE PRE-PURCHASING THE BOARDS IN ORDER TO ENSURE SIZE AND DURABILITY.
2. All information such as descriptions, graphs, charts, etc. on the display board must be computer generated. Computer generated diagrams are encouraged, but not required. Diagrams may be hand drawn with good quality. Your invention name on the title board is also an exception. You may be creative in your lettering. *While computer generated information for the display board is encouraged, it is not required for 4th grade. Remember, first impressions mean a lot!*
3. Your board must contain, but is not limited to the following:
 - a. **Pictures:** Pictures should be of you building and/or testing your model.
 - b. **Invention Title.**
 - c. **Invention Purpose.**
 - d. **Invention Diagram or Blueprint:** *Needs to be labeled and be colorful*
 - e. **Explanation of how the invention works.**
 - f. **Explain how your invention improves life or makes something easier.**
 - g. **Materials used to build your invention.**
 - h. **How to build guide.**
 - i. **Care and Use**
 - j. **Acknowledgements of any and all help and research sources.**
 - k. **7th & 8th Grade students must also display their patent search information.** *Don't display the patent form; redo the information in a more appealing format of your choosing.*
4. Optional Items:
 - a. Graphs
 - b. Additional Pictures
 - c. Magazine, newspaper, or internet articles that relate to your invention
 - d. How is your invention different from other similar products?
 - e. Cost of the materials needed to build your invention.
5. Your backboard should be bright and colorful, with lots of photographs (one - two required), make your diagram as neat and colorful as possible, make sure all materials are easy to read (use the same type and size of font for all printed materials except for the title and section headings that can be different). The title and section headings should stand out from the regular print.
6. Please refer to the Suggested Display Board Layout to get started. While this layout is not required, your information should flow from left to right as if you were telling a story. (The title placement is not optional, it must be on the title board)