

# Sample Timeline For Projects Going to Fairs

## Get an early start (Fall)

1. Decide on a project: **1 week**
2. Background research: **1 week**
3. Form a hypothesis & design procedures: **1½ weeks**
4. Submit a project proposal to the teacher for approval *before* starting experimentation (***approval from teacher = 1 week***)
  - 4a. Submit any of the applicable forms below to the teacher for approval before starting experimentation:
    - Human Subjects
    - Vertebrate/human tissues
    - Hazardous Substances or Devices
    - Nonhuman Vertebrate Animals
    - Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents (microbes, recombinant DNA technologies, tissues or body fluids)
5. Experimentation: **4-8 weeks**
  - Submit **log book** for mid-project data check
  - Write **first draft** of Introduction (with Citations), References Cited in advance of final report, *during experimentation*. Teacher adds comments, points earned.
6. Results, Discussion (tables, graphs, observation, analysis): **1-2 weeks**
7. Write the project report (final draft) – **1-2 weeks**
8. Build the display board – **2-3 days**

