
Judging-A Positive Experience

The Benefits of Judging

Judges are an integral part of a science competition infrastructure. The success or failure of any science competition depends on the quality of the judging. The personal rewards a judge gains goes beyond the personal experience that students walk away from at the fair. Judging provides the opportunity to network with other colleagues and students and ensure that the best projects are rewarded.

Judging is Multi-faceted

- Evaluating various projects
- Allowing students to comfortably explain their research
- Counseling students on how they can make take their project to the next level
- Making recommendations
- Motivating students to continue their studies and to compete again
- A positive complement can spur students on to future success in life
- Sharing your knowledge and experience
- The rewards of having fun and helping others

Providing a Good Experience

- Being genuine
- Allowing students to showcase their work
- Encouraging communication
- Avoiding value judgements
- Providing an opportunity for improvement
- Ending with a positive note