## DARKE COUNTY SCIENCE DAY PROJECT SCHEDULE 2024-2025

	AREA ON WHICH TO FOCUS	DATE
I.	Science Fair Kick-off meeting for students.  a. Hand out Participation Instructions b. Review Project Schedule c. Discuss requirements	Time Date (prior to Oct. 11 <sup>th</sup> ) Location (Your School)
II.	Register for eligibility for Regional Science Day on-line by setting up a ProjectBoard Account (complete student profile and "Start a New Project") Project submission for Regional Science Day not due until February. Student Participation fee has been waived for 2025	October thru December (Account set-up deadline is Jan. 15 <sup>th</sup> )
III.	Turn in "Topic Background Form" to your science teacher (Do not submit this form to UMVSD)	(Date/Time) (Prior to Nov 1 <sup>st</sup> )  Science Day Meeting Today  (Location)
IV.	Work on: a. Topic b. Problem c. Background Research	October/November  May work with Mentor
V.	Research Plan including: Topic, Problem, Background Research and Hypothesis or Engineering Design Plan. Works Cited list.	(Date/Time) (Prior to Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup> )  Science Day Meeting Today (Location)
VI.	Work on:  a. Continue editing Research Plan.  b. Write up experiment  1. materials & equipment list  2. procedures (step by step)  3. data collection devices  c. Gather equipment & equipment	November/December
VII.	Complete experimental write-up in final form Include:  a. Materials & equipment list b. Step by Step Procedures Research Plan will be reviewed by Scientific Review Committee (SRC)	(Date/Time) (Prior to Dec 15 <sup>th</sup> )  Science Day Meeting Today  (Location)
VIII.	Begin experimentation and data collection. (All data will need to be in final form by late January)	Work on your own.
IX.	Work on project Tri-fold poster and/or Quad Board. Type formal conclusion and abstract in final form.	Late January
X.	Final typed paper with data, conclusion, and Abstract due to your science Teacher.	Tuesday, February 18 <sup>th</sup>
XI.	Sign up to stay after school with a staff member to deliver entire presentation in order to practice and get suggestions. (optional)	February 24 – February 26
Darke County Science Day, Greenville High School, Greenville, OH		Thursday, Feb. 27th, 2025
Regional Science Day at Edison State Community College, Piqua, OH		Saturday, March 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2025
State Science Day – on-line virtually judged presentation		April 2025