

***FAILURE TO INCLUDE DOCUMENTATION, REGARDING THE USE OF HUMAN SUBJECTS, WITH APPLICATION FORMS WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION .***

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**HUMAN SUBJECT APPROVAL CERTIFICATE**  
**(FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY)**

STUDENT(S) \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT TOPIC \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF PROJECT PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROJECT EXPERIMENTATION \_\_\_\_\_

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**PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

This project proposal was reviewed and approved by:

PRINCIPAL \_\_\_\_\_ signature \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_ signature \_\_\_\_\_

PSYCHOLOGIST or MEDICAL DOCTOR

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ signature \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT \_\_\_\_\_

THIS PAGE "**MUST**" BE ATTACHED TO THE STUDENT'S SUBSEQUENT APPLICATION TO THE NIAGARA REGIONAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR

**DIRECTIONS FOR CERTIFYING THE PROPER USE OF HUMAN SUBJECTS:**

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It is the responsibility of the school officials to establish a Project Review Committee to determine the suitability of each project which will involve human subjects. The committee should be composed of three people, the school principal, a teacher and a psychologist or medical doctor. The assessment of this committee must be completed **BEFORE** the experiment or project is undertaken. Confirmation that the project has been reviewed must be made by completing the **HUMAN SUBJECT APPROVAL CERTIFICATE** printed on the upper half of this page.

The Project Review Committee should assess the proposal made by the student(s) according to these criteria:

- 1) the proposed study should be designed to safeguard the physical and emotional health of each subject;
- 2) the proposed study should be designed to preserve the anonymity of each subject;
- 3) the proposed study should be based upon thoughtful study of the topic at hand.

The proposal which the Project Review Committee assesses should be prepared on a form designed by the school. This form should require the student to identify the **TOPIC**, a brief review of **Related RESEARCH**, the **PROPOSED PROCEDURES** for conducting the study and the student's **HYPOTHESIS**. The student's proposal does not have to be submitted with the application to the **SCIENCE FAIR**.