

Part 2: The Oral Presentation

You will be presenting your project to your classmates, to teachers at the Galloway School, and other adults that are interested in your topic.

Tips for a great oral presentation:

- Make sure that your science journal and display board are complete, neat, and accurate.
- Be prepared. Practice your presentation as many times as possible. Use 3 index cards to write down your main points. Your index cards and display board should not be read aloud; by practicing your presentation enough times, you should know what to say even without looking at your cards.
- Point to your board when explaining graphs or pictures, but do not read off your board.
- Practice in front of friends and relatives. Give them an opportunity to ask questions or provide feedback, and remember that it is okay to say “I don’t know.” Remember it is always better to say that you don’t know the answer than to make one up.
- In case you are asked, make sure that you can clearly explain how your results were measured. For example, if you used a scale to measure weight, know what type of scale you used and what weights you used.
- Be enthusiastic and smile during your presentation. Stand straight and speak clearly and loudly enough to be heard. Make sure that your audience knows how proud you are of your project.
- Dress in full dress uniform. Wearing nice clothes shows that you are proud of your project.
- Stay within the 7 minute time limit.
- Make sure that you share any special challenges or unexpected outcomes. Be prepared for questions.
- Thank your listeners for their time and attention.

