

## Criteria for Judging

The criteria below are used for judging projects at the  
OLC Science Fairs

### **Creative Ability**

Does the project show creative ability and originality in:

- the question asked
- the approach to solving the problem
- the analysis of data
- the interpretation of data
- the use of equipment
- the construction or design of new equipment

### **Scientific Thought**

- Was the problem stated clearly and unambiguously?
- Was there a clear and specific hypothesis?
- Is there a procedural plan for obtaining the solution?
- Are the variables clearly recognized and defined?
- Was the conclusion supported by the data?
- Was the conclusion relevant to the hypothesis?

### **Thoroughness**

- Does the exhibit tell a complete and concise story?
- Was proper attention given to important items?

### **Skill**

- Was the project appropriate for the age of the student?

### **Clarity**

- Are the labels large, neat and easy to read?
- Is the objective likely to be understood by one who does not have training or expertise in that particular field?
- Is the project sturdy and well constructed?
- Is the display attractive?