

## Suggestions for Interest Fair

- ① Establish a schedule – for the duration or by month or by week –that fits your child’s working style and your family.  
(30 min. each evening, one hour M-W-F)
- ② Have a box, bag, or binder for Interest Fair work. At home designate a particular desk, table, shelf or corner.
- ③ Keep bibliography up to date. Check before returning those library books.
- ④ Use a different color of highlighter or colored pencil to mark notes dealing with the same topic.
- ⑤ Parents, it’s sometimes hard to find a delicate balance between doing too much and doing too little. It depends on the age and experience of each particular child. We appreciate your efforts in finding this balance.

Middle School Teachers



# Helpful Hints!

Create a Successful Display Board for Interest Fair.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- **Plan your space.** Sketch your ideas on a piece of paper before drawing and gluing on your board.
- **Measure twice, cut once.** Use a ruler and measure your space. This will help you center your text and cut your materials.
- **Tools.** Use tools like rulers, protractors, and compasses to draw accurate shapes and letters.
- **Add text wisely.** Make your project title the largest then work down in size.
- **Add color.** By adding color, you grab the attention of your viewers.
- **3D.** Create 3 dimensional objects or add to your graphics so they appear to be 3D.
- **Cover your board.** Use wallpaper, fabric, or shelf paper as a background to your board.
- **Add graphics.** Hang maps and graphs to add interest to your display.
- **Do not crowd the board.** Arrange your display in an interesting format.
- **Do not write or attach your paper to the board.**
- **Do not hand write any text.** Use the computer for any typing.

