Connecticut High School Science and Humanities Symposium ABSTRACT PREPARATION

All CT HSSHS student applicants must submit a **250-word–maximum** abstract in electronic format. The abstract should accurately convey the essential nature of the research conducted and the most significant conclusions reached. A further purpose of the abstract is to attract the interest and curiosity of the non-specialist reader and thus encourage exchange, discussion, and elaboration between various authors and between authors and readers.

The format for the 250-word abstract includes:

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- 1. Title of the research project
- 2. Student name
- 3. High school name, city, and state
- 4. Name of teacher/mentor/sponsor and the mentor's organization. Precede the individual's name with a subheading (i.e., teacher, mentor, sponsor).
- 5. Include one line of space between the heading and the abstract body.

Abstract content includes:

- 1. Introduction to the topic
- 2. Explanation of why the topic is important
- 3. Statement about the knowledge gap
- 4. Research question(s)/aim(s)/hypothesis
- 5. Indication of research methods and approach
- 6. Brief summary of key findings

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