

**Secondary School
Scientific Review Committee (SRC) and Institutional Review Board (IRB)**

Each school participating in the South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair should have:

- (1) a Scientific Review Committee (SRC) composed of a minimum of three persons, including at least:
 - (a) one biomedical scientist (PhD, MD, DDS, DO, or DVM),
 - (b) one science teacher, and
 - (c) one other member. One of the members must be familiar with animal care procedures when animal experimentation is involved; or
- (2) an Institutional Review Board (IRB) to review projects involving human subjects in advance of research to evaluate potential risks, including
 - (a) a science teacher,
 - (b) a school administrator, and
 - (c) a medical doctor, registered nurse, psychologist, or psychiatrist (psychologist is necessary for behavioral research); or combined SRC/IRB (see SRC/IRB Guidelines). One member must be named Chairman and information must be provided prior to the SFRSEF; or
- (3) a combined SRC/IRB committee that includes at least:
 - (a) biomedical scientist (e.g., Ph.D., M.D., D.V.M., D.D.S., D.O.)
 - (b) an educator
 - (c) school administrator (preferably, a principal or vice principal)
 - (d) and one of the following who is knowledgeable and capable of evaluating the physical and/or psychological risk involved in a given study: a medical doctor, physician’s assistant, registered nurse, licensed psychologist, licensed professional clinical counselor or licensed social worker. (At least one member of the committee must be familiar with proper animal care procedures when reviewing projects using non-human vertebrate animals.)

Check one: SRC IRB SRC / IRB Combined

This group should serve to advise the coordinator and/or sponsor in cases where projects may require specific attention to the RSEF and ISEF Rules and Guidelines and require “prior SRC/IRB approval.”

Projects requiring “prior SRC/IRB approval” must be reviewed by the school-site SRC/IRB and be approved for experimentation. The School site SRC/IRB will sign the pre-approval on **box 2a) or 2b) (where applicable) in the Approval Form (1B).**

Projects that require prior SRC/IRB approval deal with (a) humans, (b) vertebrates, and (c) potentially hazardous biological agents. If projects require prior SRC/IRB approval, proper documentation must be reviewed by the school site SRC/IRB, including the Research Plan.

Prior SRC/IRB approval does not constitute an automatic approval during the Regional Fair SRC/IRB review (round 1). Projects with prior SRC/IRB approval may still be disqualified during “Round 1” for failing to follow proper experimental guidelines.

1. School Name: _____ School Code: _____

Address: _____, Fl _____
 Number and Street City zip

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ email: _____

Principal: _____

Signature: _____

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2. Fair Coordinator: _____

Mailing address: _____, Fl _____
Number and Street City zip

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____ email: _____

Signature: _____

3. Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing address: _____, Fl _____
Number and Street City zip

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____ email: _____

4. Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing address: _____, Fl _____
Number and Street City zip

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____ email: _____

5. Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing address: _____, Fl _____
Number and Street City zip

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Fax Number: _____ email: _____

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6. Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing address: _____, FL _____
 Number and Street City zip

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

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7. Name: _____

Title: _____

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 Number and Street City zip

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8. Name: _____

Title: _____

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9. Name: _____

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