



# Finger Lakes STEM Hub

## 2024 STEM Project Recognition

### Video Submission Guidelines

The video must share a project related to Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Mathematics (STEM) that is of interest to the student(s); describes the what, why and how of their projects; and shares the learnings that youth experienced in their own words.

**Eligibility Criteria:** A video entry will qualify only if it meets the following eligibility criteria:

- Video is 2-5 minutes in length. Video is uploaded to Youtube as an Unlisted video with link to video entered into the full application that can be found on the Finger Lakes STEM Hub website.
- A signed parent/guardian permission form for each child is included.
- A signed mentor/advisor form is included. Youth are in grades K-12.
- Youth are from the greater Rochester and Finger Lakes Region (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates counties).
- Video does not contain any copyrighted music or content.

**Best Practices:** Video entries should include the following:

- **Youth should be the primary presenters.** While it is fine to have teachers, parents, mentors or other adults share some information throughout, the majority of the video should be presented by the youth who participated in the project.
- **Tell the story from start to finish.** Begin with the question you were trying to answer, problem you were trying to solve or, simply, the concept that created your interest. Then, tell us what you decided to do - conduct an experiment? do some research? interview an expert? What did you do during your project to learn about your chosen topic? Next, tell us how you did it. Share the steps you followed, in order and in whatever detail time allows. Finally, be sure to share what you learned as a result of your project. Were you surprised? Did it make you think of more questions to explore? Five minutes is a long time - you can bring the audience along on the journey by sharing your experience like a great story!
- **Be sure to collect permission slips/video releases for all youth in your video.** The STEM Hub wants to share your hard work with the community, but we need permission to do so.
- **Be sure your video content is original.** Don't use copyrighted materials (music, video footage, etc.) that belong to someone else. Be original, be unique, be you!