

# Outside Assistance Disclosure Form

**All 3 pages are required.**

*Pages 1-2 are completed by the student researcher; page 3 is completed by teacher/mentor.*

**All projects must follow the [Georgia Junior STEM Symposium Rules & Guidelines](#).**

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

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher or Mentor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Section 1, to be completed by the student researcher:**

1. Explain your role in the development of the project idea and what steps led you to formulate your research question or project design.

2. Where did you conduct the majority of your work? If it is an institutional setting, list the name and the specific laboratory senior scientist, if applicable. (e.g., home, school, medical center, the Smith laboratory, etc.)

3. Describe what parts of the research you did on your own and what assistance you received. (e.g., literature search, hypothesis, experimental design, use of special equipment, gathering data, evaluation of data, statistical analysis, conclusions, and preparation of written report (abstract and/or paper))

4. If you conducted your research in an institutional setting (i.e., university lab, medical center, etc.), describe your role on the team AND the roles of other individuals involved in the research investigation. (e.g., conducted research independently or under the supervision and guidance of the lab's major professor, post-doc, grad student, etc.)

Student Researcher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 1, continued:**

5. Did you use any data from outside sources (literature, handbooks, publicly available or privately shared tables, etc.)? If so, list the data set(s) and its source(s) and its purpose in your research. Could the data have been obtained by other means?

6. When did you conduct this research? If this research is a continuation of research conducted prior to January 2025, describe how you have expanded your research.

7. Did you use any AI tools when conducting your research or writing your paper? If so, explain what tools were used *and* for what purpose.

8. Is there an IRB determination on file for this research? If yes, provide the IRB determination details including IRB number, name, institution, and dates.

I certify that the information provided in this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I affirm that the work described reflects my own contributions as stated, and that any assistance, external data, or tools used, including AI tools, have been fully disclosed. I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in disqualification from participation and/or revocation or awards.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Researcher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 2, to be completed by supervising adult\*:

**\*mentor or teacher most familiar with the project**

1. Describe the student's individual contributions to the research investigation or project.

2. Describe the student's use of AI in this project.

3. Please provide a statement verifying that all aspects of this project were conducted in compliance with proper procedures and protocols for research involving vertebrate animals, human participants, and/or potentially hazardous biological agents.

I certify that the information provided in this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that knowingly providing false or misleading information may result in disqualification of my student and/or revocation of awards.

Mentor/Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_