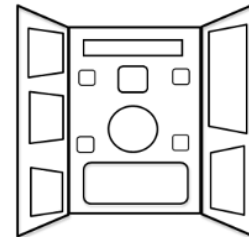


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## DESIGNING YOUR DISPLAY BOARD

Your display board is an opportunity for you to highlight the most important aspects of your invention, show off your creativity and market your product. At right is an example of what a display board might look like, but you can make it look however you want. This is your invention and your display, so use your creativity to tell the story of your invention the way you want.



## PROCEDURES

**Maximum size:** With the wings folded in, the Display Board can only take 24 inches of table space. However, you are allowed to open up the wings during your Judging Circle presentation.

Your Display Board must contain the following information in one consolidated place on the poster:

- Student(s) Name(s)
- Project Name
- Student(s) Grade(s)
- Student(s) School
- School City, State
- Patent Status (Three Options: None, Under Counsel or Patent Pending)

Students should note "Patent Pending" on their posters for Patent Status only if a provisional or non-provisional patent application has been officially filed with the USPTO. If you are currently represented by an attorney or patent agent (pro bono or otherwise), mark "Under Counsel." It is possible to be both "Under Counsel" and "Patent Pending" or just "Under Counsel" or just "Patent Pending" (If you did the filing yourself).

No balloons, glitter, or confetti are allowed in any form.

*These are the display board requirements for the Invention Convention U.S. Nationals competition.*

You may also want to add:

- Images showing you building or testing the invention.
- Information on how the invention was made.
- How the invention is used.
- The biography of the inventor.
- Text that supports and explains any pictures, drawings, charts, etc.
- Any scientific principles used in your invention (e.g., buoyancy, heat transfer).
- Any engineering disciplines used in your invention (e.g., electronics, optics).
- Testimonials from users and/or research results.
- Any other information about the invention that will help explain it, what it does, or why it is good.

## HELPFUL HINTS

- Use fonts that are easy to read (in style, size, and color).
- Pick colors that look good together and shapes that are the right size for the board.
- Double check your display board for correct grammar, spelling, and proper punctuation.
- If you are having trouble getting the supplies you need to make your display board, we may be able to help! Email [invent@lindahall.org](mailto:invent@lindahall.org) for assistance.

*Questions? Reach out to us at [invent@lindahall.org](mailto:invent@lindahall.org) for support!*