Your science teachers recommend that you perform your science fair experiment during the summer months. This recommendation is very important for you if your experiment has special requirements such as requiring summer weather (botany experiments), a special location (vacation location at the shore or lake), laboratory time with a mentor (bacterial experiments), or a long period of time. The following instructions are for students who decide to perform their science fair experiment during the summer months:

1. You may only do your experiment during the summer months. You may not work on the research, the Excel spreadsheets, or the project conclusion. Class time in the fall will include instruction and work on these tasks.

2. Make sure to record all results and observations during the experiment. You may keep records of the results of your experiment in a notebook or use a computer to record results.

3. Be thorough in your observations (qualitative data). Don’t limit your recording of results to measurements (quantitative data). Be sure to also include observations of the effects of your testing that can’t be numerically measured and record conditions that may have affected your results.

4. Take photographs!

5. Your experiment has been carefully reviewed by a science teacher. Do not change your experiment over the summer unless you contact, discuss, and get approval for changes from Mrs. Melinson (vmelinson@ancillae.org).

6. Good luck and have a great summer!