

**Louisiana State University, Academy of Applied Sciences and the
U. S. Army, Navy and Air Force sponsored
Louisiana Junior Science and Humanities Symposium**

CHAPERONE RESPONSIBILITIES. As a chaperone, you are expected to supervise the students from your school to assure that each understands and abides by the rules of conduct for the symposium, and to reinforce that it is an honor to represent their school at the Louisiana JSHS.

Other chaperon responsibilities include:

- Supervise students during travel to and from the symposium. If not possible, plan to meet your student delegates upon arrival at the symposium and introduce the students to one another to build unity among the delegation.
- Establish your role as the group chaperone.
- Exchange room numbers
- Review emergency contact information, go over the symposium program, and establish your sole authority for permission to deviate from the symposium schedule.
- Meet the students daily to stay in touch with their attitudes and reactions to the symposium. You may want to attempt to organize a daily group activity.
- Encourage interaction with other student delegations.

Student responsibilities. All students agree to abide by the following rules of conduct for attendance at the Louisiana JSHS.

1. I understand that the military has sponsored my participation in the Louisiana JSHS due to my interests and achievements in the sciences, engineering, and mathematics. Accordingly, I pledge to fully participate in all symposium activities.
2. I understand that I am representing my school and self as a delegate to the Louisiana symposium.
3. I will not depart the symposium site without consent from my chaperone and/or a designated representative.
4. I understand that the use of alcoholic beverages, or other substances that are generally regarded to be detrimental or illegal, will not be tolerated at the Louisiana JSHS. Use or possession will result in immediate dismissal from the symposium and return home at my parents' expense.
5. I pledge to be respectful of my peers, speakers, and other attendees at the symposium, and respect my roommate's privacy. I understand that the objective of the symposium organizers is to provide a positive educational experience for all participants. I understand that should I behave in a disrespectful manner, both my chaperone and the designated staff of the Louisiana JSHS will make appropriate decisions for the benefit of all participants. This could include

dismissal from the symposium and return home at my parents' expense.

All adult chaperones, symposium organizers, and sponsors should be mindful that a major goal of the program is to encourage interaction among like-minded students. The influence of this interaction is encouraging future pursuit in the sciences equals, if not exceeds, the recognition provided by the scholarship awards. There must be a delicate balance between control and respect for the students' maturity and development. All adult leaders are reminded to be tolerant of differences in culture, geography, and background, and be willing to learn as well as to teach.