# Research Club January Updates

2021-22

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

2021-22 Year





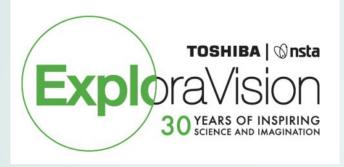
### Agenda





- Genes in Space opens January 13
- Brain Bee/mentorship
- Science Fair Registration





### Exploravision

- Select a technology, research how it works, why it was invented, and predict how that technology could be improved in the future
  - Create multimedia presentations through websites, papers, posters, prototypes
    - Prizes include: \$10,000 and \$5000 awards
- All-expenses paid trip to Washington D.C. for awards weekend
  - Grades 7-9
  - Grades 10-12
- Please reach out ASAP with a solid project entry idea and a list of team members who will work with you.
  - DUE JANUARY 31st, 2022

#### Genes in Space

- Design a research project/scientific experiment that could be conducted in space related to DNA/genetics
  - Finalists receive mentorship & opportunities to present the proposal for a chance to become a winner (actually have the experiment conducted at the ISS)
  - Applications for the 2022 competition opens JANUARY 13TH, 2022. If interested, please form teams (members can attend different schools).



#### Genes in Space-3

Collaboration with NASA scientists Dr. Sarah Wallace, Dr. Aaron Burton, Dr. Kristen John, and Sarah Stahl

#### NASA mission page

Burton et al., Off Earth identification of bacterial populations using 16S rDNA nanopore sequencing. Genes. 11(1). (2020)



#### Brain Bee





- State competition for neuroscience, which could potentially get you qualified for the US National Brain Bee round
- February 2022 (Yet to be decided for in person or virtual)
  - <u>brainbee@uab.edu</u>
  - Resources available on our website to study
- MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITY: PUJA CHOPADE AT BOB JONES HIGH SCHOOL. pujasc@madisoncity.k12.al.us.



#### **SCIENCE FAIR**



- North Alabama Science & Engineering Fair (NARSEF) registration will occur through the Scienteer Account.
  - Start working on your projects! Registration for students will begin January 31st.
    - <u>https://sites.google.com/a/uah.edu/narsef/participate?authuser=0</u>
      - March 1-4
      - ASEF: April 4-8, Virtual
      - ISEF: May 8-13, Atlanta, Georgia