

NASP Virtual Poster Session Guidelines

Thank you for your interest in NASP's virtual poster session. This document will include information about the files you will be required to submit to take part in the Virtual Poster Session. If you have any questions about the guidelines for the files or about the poster session in general, please contact NASP Director of Research, Nick Affrunti at naffrunti@naspweb.org.

All files should be titled: **Last Name_First Initial-Title** (e.g., Affrunti_N-How neighborhood characteristics impact after school programs). *If you have multiple authors, only include the name of the primary author.

Poster file (uploaded as .pdf):

The poster should have a width of 48" and a height of 36".

- To create a poster with these dimensions, use Powerpoint or Google Slides (or similar program) and change the page layout. In Powerpoint, this is found under Design -> Slide Size -> Custom Slide Size. In Google slides, this is found under File -> Page setup -> Custom.
- All content must fit on a single slide.
- Create your poster and then save this file as a .pdf.

All text should be readable. Use an easily legible font (e.g., Arial or Times New Roman) with a size of at least 14.

Use a consistent layout with headings and subheadings as needed.

Include visuals but remember that too many visuals will distract the reader. Short labels for visuals will also help your reader understand what they are looking at.

The poster should be self-explanatory: A reader should be able to follow the poster from start to finish, understand the content, and come away with conclusions on their own.

As a guide, try to have your poster answer these 5 questions:

- What did you do?
- Why did you do it?
- How did you do it?
- What did you find?
- What is the relevance to school psychology?

Some more tips can be found:

- <https://www.craftofscientificposters.com/>
- <https://colinpurrington.com/tips/poster-design/>

Abstract (uploaded as text):

Include with your submission a brief abstract for your poster. This summary should be 3-5 sentences (no more than 100 words) and should focus on the major implications of the research. Think about answering the question: What are the main conclusions I want someone to take away from my poster? Note specific groups who would be most interested in your results (e.g., school psychologists, administrators, teachers...etc.). Consider this both as an abstract as well as a tool to get someone to want to know more about your work.