

## SSRPeers: A Peer Mentoring Program for SSRP students

Estimated Time: 30 min - 1 hour

Completion: Between July 26th - August 1st, 2023



### Goals

- ★ Reflect on any optional events you have attended
- ★ Reflect on your independent project work
- ★ Start practicing presenting your research 😊

### Almost at the finish line!

*As the SSRP poster session day gets closer, discuss with your peer how you plan on presenting your research. What do you want the takeaway of your presentation to be?*

#### **Catch up (5-10 minutes)**

How are you doing this week? Share something you did that you are proud of. Share something that has been a challenge for you.

#### **SSRP**

What is it like working on your independent research projects? What expectations did you have going into your project, and have those expectations been met? What are some things you would add to your project if you had more time in the program?

#### **Presenting research 15 min**

You guys have been working on your projects and are getting ready to make your posters for the end of the program poster session. This is a good time to talk about your research and the results you found.

**Spend 5 minutes thinking and writing about your research and simplifying it.** *Being able to discuss your research in layman's terms (basically non-scientific language) is important because it ensures that your work is accessible to everyone. Think about and jot down the main ideas of your research in super simplistic terms (Someone who has no knowledge of science should be able to understand what*

*your research is on.)*

**Spend 10 minutes (5 minutes per person) trying to explain your research to each other without using any science terms.** *Spend a couple minutes explaining the work you have done without using ANY science terms (some examples of science terms: protein, PCR, DNA, stem cells, kinases, signal cascade, action potential etc.)*

## **Reading Discussion Questions**

*(15-20 mins)*

### **Communicating your science to an audience**

1. Think of a time when you listened to a presentation you didn't understand. What could the speaker do to make the presentation easier to understand?
2. What are some things that you can include in your presentation to make it easier to understand?

## **Planning for the Future**

Discuss your plans for meeting next.