Guidelines for Teachers OC K-12 Sustainability Showcase March 2, 2019

The 6th Annual **OC K-12 Sustainability Showcase** is being held at Cal State Fullerton on March 2, 2019 from 8:00am – 12:00pm. This event is an opportunity for students from Orange County to share their ideas and work on sustainability. The Showcase will feature student presentations on a sustainability related project the student is involved with or a sustainability issue affecting their local community or countries of origin the student would like to spotlight. In addition to the student presentations, sustainability related projects and displays will be on exhibit.

Each school may enter up to three presentations. These may be individual or team efforts.

GOAL: Presentation topic areas should focus any aspect of sustainability, including but **not limited to**: Environment, Alternative Energy, Health, and Sustainable Design. The presentations can be about a project at school or another hands-on experience related to sustainability in the students' lives and in their communities. Through experiencing the presentation process, students will develop skills in verbal communication, articulating complex topics, advocacy and relating issues to their own lives and communities.

What is sustainability? Sustainability has emerged as a result of significant concerns about the unintended social, environmental, and economic consequences of consumption of our natural resources. These consequences can affect cultural continuity and knowledge, the health of our communities, and the future of young people. Sustainability means that we have and will continue to have, the water, materials, and resources to protect human health and our environment.

<u>**Criteria-student presentation</u>**: Must identify a sustainability problem and suggest a solution, be original, persuasive, motivational, entertaining, and draw upon relevant information. There are a wide range of student projects, school activities, and topics that are appropriate for inclusion in the Sustainability Conference.</u>

Presentation format: A live speech or performance that can be augmented by multimedia, e.g. student made video, Prezi, animation, etc. that effectively conveys an important sustainability issue/cause of action that would motivate the audience to engage with the issue.

Presentations time frame: Up to 3 min for upper elementary, 6 minutes middle school, 8 minutes high school. For sample presentations please search "P21 Sustainability Showcase" on YouTube.