The finalists will be notified in writing no later than February 22, 2008, with an invitation to present their research proposal at a special forum at the Truman State University Student Research Conference on April 3, 2008. The names of finalists and presentation topics will also be listed on our website by February 22nd. Each finalist must accept or decline the invitation no later than February 29, 2008.

This special forum will occur at the conclusion of the day’s activities. Finalists are welcome and strongly encouraged to attend other Truman student presentations during the day. Research abstracts and schedules are available on the Student Research Conference website at http://src.truman.edu. Each finalist who is invited to campus to present at the conference is solely responsible for all travel expenses to Truman State University in Kirkville, Missouri (including hotel arrangements, meals, fuel or airline expenses, etc.), as well as any special supplies desired for the presentation.

Finalists should follow the guidelines below when preparing the research proposal presentation:

1. The presentation must be an oral presentation, limited to 5-7 minutes.
2. Finalist must prepare the presentation using Microsoft PowerPoint presentation software.
3. The presentation shall focus on the background, purpose, methods, and potential tests, data analysis, and dissemination of results as indicated in the examples provided.
   a. Health Science (http://hes.truman.edu/assets/powerpoint/samplehsproposal.ppt)
   b. Exercise Science (http://hes.truman.edu/assets/powerpoint/sampleesproposal.ppt)
4. The Department of Health & Exercise Sciences will be responsible for providing a data projector, laptop computer, and Microsoft PowerPoint presentation software for each candidate during the presentation.
5. Finalists will be required to submit their presentation electronically to akoch@truman.edu by March 27, 2008. The subject line of the e-mail should be “FTF Research Stipend Presentation: (Your Name)”, and the PowerPoint presentation should be sent as an attachment.

Any questions regarding the research proposal presentation may be directed to Dr. Alex Koch, Associate Professor of Health & Exercise Sciences at (660) 785-7255 or akoch@truman.edu.