



## 10 Tips for Transporting Your Heritage Fairs Project:

*Once you have designed and created your project, you have to be able to get it to school. Plus, if you get selected to attend the Regional Heritage Fair (and then if you get selected for the Provincial Heritage Fair thereafter), you will need to move your project once again.*

*Here are some tips for easily transporting your project:*

1. **Carry your model in a separate container!** Some things that work well: a plastic bin with a lid (make sure the lid can be closed tightly without squishing anything) or an old casserole dish. (A casserole dish works well as the base of a model, as it comes ready with handles.)
2. **Carry items for your display in a plastic bin with a lid, separately from any models!** Once your project has been set up, this bin can come in handy to store away things like your coat, etc.
3. **Make sure you can lift and carry each piece of your project!** You might have to carry your project yourself, especially if you are selected for the Regional and/or Provincial Heritage Fairs. But, you do *not* have to be able to carry all bins, boxes, or models, as well as your backboard, at the same time!
4. **Beware of snow/rain!** Make sure that anything that is not waterproof, including your backboard, is covered in plastic or in a plastic bin. Even if you are only going to be outside for a little bit, your project might get wet if it is raining or snowing, or if you get splashed.
5. **Bring a charger and cord for your electronics!** Make sure to label or mark these with your name or initials. It is also a good idea to bring a small extension cord if you have one – make sure you label it as well.
6. **Bring tape!** That way, you can repair your project if anything falls off your backboard or model while being carried. You can also use the tape to stick items to the table.
7. **If you need water for your project, add it after the project is set up!** If your model includes water, add it after you arrive and have the rest of the project set up. If you want to bring water with you, carry it in a separate, sealed container (such as a water bottle). Do not carry water – or any other liquid or gooey items – with the rest of your items in case it leaks on the way to school!
8. **Make sure to arrive early enough to set up your project!** As with water, balloons and other inflatable items should be inflated at the Fair so that they are easier to carry and will not blow away or break. Also, you will need time to set up your display and model, as well as time to get dressed in your costume, cultural regalia, uniform, or presentation clothes.
9. **Do not be afraid to ask for help!** The more you can carry and set up on your own, the better, but do not be afraid to ask for help if you are struggling, or if something goes wrong.
10. **Make use of your empty containers while your project is set up!** At the Regional & Provincial Heritage Fairs, there will be activities as well as presenting your project to judges, so you may want to take off pieces of your outfit (i.e. hat, scarf, fake moustache, jewellery) for these activities. A great place to store these items is in the container(s) that you carried your model or display items in. Then they are easy to find again if/when you need to put them back on!