

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2008 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s) **Project Number** Jerrica N. Cox **J1210 Project Title** Which Form of Insulation Preserves Thermal Energy? Abstract **Objectives/Goals** My objective is to determine which cup preserves thermal energy the best. Methods/Materials Methods: Materials: Styrofoam 1. Water is heated to 100 degrees Celsius Plastic 2. Cup is filled with water. Ceramic Glass 3. Temperature is recorded every 60 seconds for 600 seconds. **Results** My highest average for which cup preserves thermal energy was styrofoam. Out of the four cups my lowest average was glass. **Conclusions/Discussion** Out of the glass, plastic, and ceramic I concluded that styrofoam cups are the best insulations to preserve thermal energy. Out of those four cups I also concluded that glass would drop the temperature of the water **Summary Statement** My project was to determine which cup would keep the water the warmest. Help Received