

Score	Description
3	Student blog is appropriate for middle school science students and includes all of the following information: an explanation of the biotechnology and how it works, the advantages and disadvantages of the biotechnology, any ethical issues associated with the biotechnology, any positive or negative impacts on agriculture, a possible career path of a person who works with the biotechnology, and any economic benefits to the state of North Carolina. The blog was clear and concise and did not contain any grammatical errors.
2	Student blog is appropriate for middle school science students and includes most of the following information: an explanation of the biotechnology and how it works, the advantages and disadvantages of the biotechnology, any ethical issues associated with the biotechnology, any positive or negative impacts on agriculture, a possible career path of a person who works with the biotechnology, and any economic benefits to the state of North Carolina. The blog was clear and concise but contained one or two grammatical errors.
1	Student blog is appropriate for middle school science students but only included one or two pieces of the following information: an explanation of the biotechnology and how it works, the advantages and disadvantages of the biotechnology, any ethical issues associated with the biotechnology, any positive or negative impacts on agriculture, a possible career path of a person who works with the biotechnology, and any economic benefits to the state of North Carolina. The blog was not clear and concise and contained one or two grammatical errors.
0	Student blog was not appropriate for middle school science students and/or only included one or two pieces of the following information: an explanation of the biotechnology and how it works, the advantages and disadvantages of the biotechnology, any ethical issues associated with the biotechnology, any positive or negative impacts on agriculture, a possible career path of a person who works with the biotechnology, and any economic benefits to the state of North Carolina. The blog was not clear and concise and contained several grammatical errors.