

DISTRICT 3 HISTORY DAY

SATURDAY MARCH 24, 2012

WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS



WHAT HISTORY DAY?

History Day in Ohio is an exciting co-curricular program for students in grades 6-8 and 9-12. Each year, students conduct research based on a theme and create an original project as an individual, or in a group. Projects are judged in one of these categories:

- Historical Papers
- Exhibits
- Performances
- Documentaries
- Websites



The District 3 competition is held at the Western Reserve Historical Society History Center and Case Western Reserve University campus in University Circle. Ohio's District 3 Winners go on to Ohio History Day, the State competition in Columbus, Ohio, and state winners have the opportunity to compete in National History Day in Maryland.

WHAT IS DISTRICT 3?

District 3 is our NE Ohio History Day region. It is headquartered at the Western Reserve Historical Society in University Circle. The regional competition includes students from the following counties: Cuyahoga, Lake, Lorain, Medina and Summit. The Junior Division includes grades 6-8, and the Senior Division includes grades 9-12. The District 3 competition is open to all public schools, private schools, parochial schools, virtual academies, home schools and independent students.

WHERE DO I START?

Visit www.nationalhistoryday.org ! The National History Day website is a great resource. You will get topic ideas, download step by step guides, and see examples of successful projects.

Visit www.wrhs.org ! The Western Reserve Historical Society hosts the District 3 History Day webpage. Look for History Day under the 'Education' section and download a registration form, the contest rulebook, and more!

See side 2 of this sheet for more detail on project options.

IMPORTANT CONTEST DATES

FEBRUARY 2012

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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MARCH 2012

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MONDAY FEBRUARY 20: Registration forms and fees due - see reverse side for details

MONDAY MARCH 5: Papers, Websites, and Documentaries due - see reverse side for details

FRIDAY MARCH 16: Exhibit process papers and bibliographies due to historyday@wrhs.org

SATURDAY MARCH 24: **District 3 History Day Contest 8am-2pm, followed by Awards Ceremony**

STATE HISTORY DAY IN OHIO: Saturday April 28, 2012 - Ohio State University Campus, Columbus OH

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY: June 10-14, 2012 - University of Maryland at College Park, MD

WHAT DOES EACH PROJECT CATEGORY REQUIRE?

Category overviews are below.

Please see the **2011-2012 Contest Rule Book** for specific details, or call (216) 721-5722 Ext 255 with questions.

Please note that in several categories, completed entries or process papers and bibliographies are due prior to contest day for judging considerations. This allows judges to view the range of projects he/she will see on contest day and prepare appropriate interview questions, eliminating the need for rushing judging on contest day.

HISTORICAL PAPERS

4 hard copies of your final paper are due to the District 3 administrative office by Monday March 5. This version will be judged.

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| Entry Type: | Individuals Only |
| Length: | 1,500-2,500 words (text only) |
| Written Requirements: | citations and annotated bibliography- no process paper needed |
| On Contest Day: | Writers must be present for an oral interview. Please bring 4 additional copies of your paper. |

EXHIBITS

A PDF or word file of your process paper and bibliography are due to historyday@wrhs.org by Friday March 16.

Please bring 4 hard copies on contest day.

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| Entry Type: | Individual or Group of 2-5 members |
| Max Size: | 40" wide x 30" deep x 6' tall (from table) |
| Word limit: | 500 words of student-composed text |
| Written Requirements: | Process paper and annotated bibliography |
| Supplemental media: | 3 minutes |

PERFORMANCES

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| Entry Type | Individual or Group of 2-5 members |
| Length: | 10 minutes maximum |
| Written Requirements: | Process paper and annotated bibliography |
| Set-up / Removal Time | 5 minutes |

DOCUMENTARIES

4 DVD's of your documentary are due to the District 3 administrative office by Monday March 5.

You may continue to alter your project. The version presented on project day will be judged. Please bring 1 copy on contest day.

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| Entry Type: | Individual or Group of 2-5 members |
| Length : | 10 minutes maximum |
| Written Requirements: | Process paper and annotated bibliography |
| Set-up / Removal Time: | 5 minutes |
| Equipment: | All equipment except screens and DVD players are entrant's responsibility |

WEBSITES

Your website must be constructed on www.nhdweebly.com and must be posted for judging by Monday March 5.

The site will then be locked for judging.

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| Entry Type | Individual or Group of 2-5 members |
| Max Size: | 100 MB of file space |
| Word Limit: | Max of 1,200 student -composed words |
| Time limit: | Multimedia clips: 45 seconds |
| Required: | Must include a Homepage and Citations (footnotes, endnotes, or internal documentation). Process paper and annotated bibliography must be included on the site. |

HOW TO REGISTER

Download and print a Registration Form from www.wrhs.org (Find 'History Day' under 'Explore & Learn').

Follow the instructions on the form to complete registration.

Please note! There is a \$5.00 registration fee per student (not per entry)

CONTACT US

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