History Day
Interpretive Web Site Category
2010
Notes on Web Site Category

- Third year as a full NHD category.
- Individual and Group entries will continue to be evaluated against each other in one judging group for the time being.
- Rule changes made based on feedback and use of new NHD Web Editor
Rule #1 - Entry Production

- You MUST use the NHD Web Site Editor beginning at the school level
- Existing professionally produced materials can be used with proper credits
- Student must operate all software and equipment used to produce entry
- Items created by others specifically for use in the entry are not allowed
Rule #2-Size

- Maximum 1,200 visible, student-composed words
- Maximum 100 MB
- Brief illustration or quotation credits do not count toward word limit
Rule #3-Navigation

- Must have “home page”
- Home page must include student name(s), title, division and menu of other pages
- All pages interconnected by links, no automatic redirects
- NHD Web Editor will provide the link/URL to your “homepage”
Rule #4-Multimedia Usage

- No clips over 45 seconds, **no limit to # of entries except 100 MB file size**
- No narration of **student-composed text**
- Free, secure, legal download links required for any plug-ins needed
- Files that cannot be viewed will not be evaluated
Rule #5-Bibliographic Sources

- Footnotes, endnotes or internal documentation are not required; brief credits for illustrations and quotes are recommended.
- Annotated bibliography must be included in navigational structure.
- Annotated bibliography does not count in word count.
- General citation rules apply; see Rule Book pp. 10-11.
Rule #6 - Stable Content
- Image may not change when refreshed
- Random text or image generators are not allowed

Rule #7 - Viewing Files
- Pages must be viewable by a standard web browser
- Student is responsible for checking site with multiple browsers
- No links to live external sites, except plug-ins
Rule #8 - Submitting Entries

- Submitted in advance of contest.
- Four paper copies of the home page, process paper, and annotated bibliography must be submitted.
- NO disks or printouts of the web site!
Working With the NHD Editor

Where do you find the NHD Web Site Editor?
http://www.nhd.weebly.com

What do you need to get started and when?
A computer with an Internet connection, an email address.
No software or downloads necessary

What can and can’t you do with the editor?
You can adjust themes, add text, pictures, sound, video, documents, flash elements, maps and custom HTML coding.
You can’t copy and paste whole pages from other sites into your NHD site.
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What if I already know how to use another program?
Great! You can use that knowledge to adjust CSS and HTML coding and develop custom HTML for inclusion on your site

How does my entry get judged?
You will have a unique URL for your site (for example: http://96151520.nhd.weebly.com that you will share with your teacher and enter onto the contest registration form at the regional level
Examples

Examples are available on the NHD web site at http://www.nationalhistoryday.org/CategoryWebsite.htm

Additional examples from Washington students can be found at the Sample Projects page on our website: http://www.washingtonhistory.org/historyday/samples.aspx.