

2022-2023 NHD KICKOFF

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HISTORY HAPPENS

FAMILY HISTORY CLUB

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Meet the Mateers...

**12** YEARS



Macy, Max, Miss Lesley and Mr. Craig

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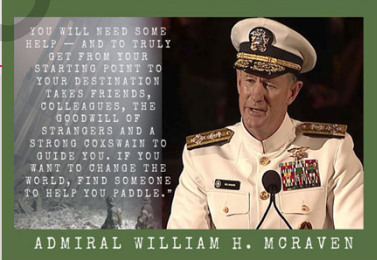
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WELCOME!

- Rule #1...  
Listen to Admiral McCraven



YOU WILL NEED SOME HELP — AND TO TRULY GET FROM YOUR STARTING POINT TO YOUR DESTINATION TAKES FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES, THE GOODWILL OF STRANGERS AND A STRONG COXSAIN TO GUIDE YOU. IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE WORLD, FIND SOMEONE TO HELP YOU PADDLE.

ADMIRAL WILLIAM H. MCCRIVEN

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WHAT IS NATIONAL HISTORY DAY?

[WWW.NHD.ORG](http://WWW.NHD.ORG)

It is a unique opportunity for students to discover:

**where** we came **from**,

**why** we are **here** and the

**lessons** that can help us in the **future**.

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WHAT IS NATIONAL HISTORY DAY?

- 700,000+ students from around the world compete every year
- Florida is the largest state competition
- Year-long **historical research project**
  - Pick a topic
  - Research multiple perspectives
  - Analyze research
  - Create a Thesis
  - Organize the findings
  - Present your thesis creatively
  - SHARE THE IMPACT!! WHY DO WE CARE?

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STUDENT'S CHOICE

- Topic
- Category
- Involvement
  - Class project (September – January)
  - Competition (September – June)



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**WHY NHD?**



- ✓ Critical thinking
- ✓ Problem-solving skills
- ✓ Research and reading skills
- ✓ Self-esteem
- ✓ Confidence
- ✓ Professional Interaction
- ✓ College Recognition
- ✓ AP Preparation (sooo much easier!)
- ✓ Outperform peers (47% ↑ on standardized tests)
- ✓ Engagement in Current and Civic issues (>25%)

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**CHOOSING A TOPIC**



**Border between things**

- Countries
- Societies
- Advancements in medicine
- Basic tool and invention
- Locations
- Undeveloped field of study

**(Re)Organize human life**

- Politically
- Economically
- Religiously
- Socially

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**WHAT'S A FRONTIER?**

New law

New country

Invention

Civil Rights movement

War that changes history

Science

Medicine

Transportation

Economics

Law

Media

Art

Education

Business

Politics

Architecture

Sports

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### NARROWING DOWN YOUR TOPIC IDEAS

- Can you show **short term and long term impacts** of your topic idea?
- Which one(s) have the **greatest impact**?
- Which one(s) are **lesser known**?
- Which one(s) can you gather the most impressive **multiple perspective sources**?

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### ANATOMY OF AN NHD PROJECT

- Process Paper
- Annotated Bibliography
- Project itself
- Judges Interview

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### CHOOSING A CATEGORY

- Documentary - [2nd Place Nationals Documentary Example](#)
- Exhibit - [1st Place Nationals Exhibit Example](#)
- Paper - [1st Place Nationals Paper Example](#)
- Performance - [1st Place Nationals Performance Example](#)
- Website - [1st Place Nationals Website Example](#)

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**Documentary...For the film fanatic student**

If...

- You find a meaningful film clip
- You find a lot of primary source photographs
- You have a unique story worth telling
- You find a lot of quotes from primary sources that you could read in a voice-over
- You had a chance to interview an expert or person present during the historical event
- Or you have significant background with film editing and computer video programs

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**Exhibit...For the artistic student**

If...

- You find lots of unique facts that speak for themselves,
- You have found many still images, cartoons, or documents
- You have found many quotes
- You have found maps and charts
- Or you find many newspaper articles with great headlines or pics

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**Paper...For the literary student**

If...

- Your topic requires explanation
- Your thesis is better proved in writing
- You found a lot of helpful secondary sources

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**Performance...For the dramatic student**

If...

- You found a unique story worth telling
- Your topic is better with an audience "experiencing" the event
- Your topic is better creating feelings (empathy, sympathy, compassion, tension)
- Your historical topic has a theatrical element like music or dance
- Or you have a strong theatrical background

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**Website...For the tech savvy student**

If...

- Your research uncovered a lot of "sub-stories" or several related events that would be better described in multiple webpages
- You have a knack for organizing neat clean layouts (storyboards!)
- Or you have experience with websites.

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TOPIC IDEAS

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HISTORY HAPPENS TENTATIVE MEETINGS

 Club Meetings	After School 3:00-5:00 Hobbs Middle School 1 or 2 times per month Email with best days of the week
 Live Stream Classes	1-2 times per month Be sure to get on the email list
 1:1 Sessions	Contact the Mateers

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