

## Entry Information

### Documentaries

- Students should bring their documentary on a DVD or Videocassette Tape. Technology can sometimes be a little tricky, so it is best to have the documentary in more than one format.
- All students must bring in a laptop to show their documentary. If the disk will not play in the DVD player, the student can show their project on their laptop which can be hooked to the LCD projector. If this option does not work, the student will need to show their project to the judges on the laptop using a separate screen to project onto.
- The contest venue will provide a DVD player, an LCD projector and a screen or clean surface to project on. Please note: The LCD projector will only hook up to a PC laptop. If you decide to bring a Mac, you will need to bring the corresponding adaptors.
- Students will have five minutes to set up equipment and five minutes to remove it.
- State title and name(s) before the entry begins playing. Time starts when the first sound is heard or the first image appears. Likewise, time ends when the last sound or image concludes. Each documentary must be no longer than ten minutes.
- The panel of judges will interview students following the playing of the documentary and either before or after the five minutes allowed for removing equipment.

### Exhibits

- Students must indicate through online registration if exhibit entries require an electrical outlet.
- Students will set up their entry at the beginning of the day in a designated space within the exhibit hall. At the end of the set up time period, everyone must leave the exhibit hall in accordance with the contest rules.
- Students must enter the exhibit hall and await their judging period. Once a student has exited the exhibit hall, they may not reenter until the period designated for public viewing.
- Sometimes judges will view the exhibits alone and then interview students, while other times the judges will review the exhibits and ask questions during the assigned time.
- The exhibit hall is closed to the public throughout the entire judging period. A separate time has been scheduled for public viewing (this includes parents, siblings, teachers, and friends).
- Time for breaking down exhibits will be scheduled after the general public has been allowed in to view them.

## Historical Papers

- Students must send in their entry before the contest in order to give the judges time to read them before the contest. Please pay attention to the deadline for submitting papers. Papers must arrive *by* the designated deadline, not postmarked.
- At the contest, students will be assigned a time and a place to speak with the judges about their paper for about ten minutes.

## Performances

- As the rulebook indicates, performers are responsible for providing and setting up all props and costumes. Students will be allowed five minutes for this before the performance begins.
- Students should announce their title and name(s) and nothing else before beginning the performance.
- The performance must be limited to ten minutes. The judges will interview after the performance.

## Web Sites

- To participate in the web site category, students will need to build their sites on NHD's Web Portal. To be clear: STUDENTS MUST GO THROUGH THE NHD PORTAL TO ACCESS THE NHD WEB SITE EDITOR – THEY CANNOT GO DIRECTLY TO WEEBLY.COM.
- A full suite of site-building tools will be available with the NHD web site editor. While third-party tools may be used to develop objects and components for an entry, the final code must be uploaded with the NHD web site editor. All objects or components constructed with third-party tools must be portable to and function correctly with the NHD web site editor.
- All hosting will be performed by NHD servers. The 100 MB size restriction on entries will remain. Students are free to begin building their entries as early as September, and will work on the same NHD web site as they advance through levels of competition. With the NHD Web Portal, students are free to access and work on their sites at any time other than judging periods, periods during which their sites will be closed to any editing.
- Four hard copies of the home page, a process paper, and an annotated bibliography are still required for submission.
- The NHD Web Portal will be locked on the registration deadline. Web sites must be completed by this date.