

Kansas History Day State Contest

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Nearly 300 students from 45 middle and high schools across Kansas participated in Kansas History Day State Contest on Saturday, April 19. The top two students in each division and category have advanced to the national competition in College Park, Maryland on June 9-13.

Around 700 students from around the state have worked on history day projects throughout the school year. They presented their projects in five separate districts around the state of Kansas. The top three winners advance to the State Contest.

National History Day is a nationally acclaimed academic enrichment program that promotes the study of history in schools. The program is modeled after science fairs and encourages students to take a creative approach to studying history. In the process, students learn research, writing, and communication skills, in addition to gaining an understanding of the importance of historical perspective. Participating students develop research papers, exhibits, documentaries, websites or performances based on topics related to an annual theme. The 2014 theme is Rights and Responsibilities in History.

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Visit us at www.kanasashistoryday.org.

Winners for the 2014 Kansas History Day State Contest are listed below:

JUNIOR HISTORICAL PAPER:

Second Place

Title: Redefining Public Use

Students: Brandon Carp,

School: Maize South Middle School, Wichita, KS

Teacher(s): A.C. POYNTER,

First Place

Title: "Eminent Domain: The Battle of Individual Rights vs Government Responsibilities"

Students: Rick Brown,

School: Susan B Anthony Middle School, Manhattan, KS

Teacher(s): Dr. Lisa Bietau,

JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL EXHIBIT:

Second Place

Title: Freedom for the Children of the DRC

Students: Cooper Hochard,

School: Topeka Collegiate, Topeka, KS
Teacher(s): Laura Morris,

First Place

Title: A Titanic Disaster: Epic Finger Pointing
Students: Brookelle Connett,
School: Robinson Middle School, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Molly Lavacek,

JUNIOR GROUP EXHIBIT:

Second Place

Title: Lincoln's Presidential Responsibility and Loss of Individual Rights
Students: Carlos Aguero-McCorkle, Alex Andresen,
School: Woodrow Wilson Elementary, Manhattan, KS
Teacher(s): Terry Healy,

First Place

Title: Andersonville: Denied Rights and Responsibilities
Students: Austin Jones, Terry Edwards, Hunter Wiemers,
School: Woodrow Wilson Elementary, Manhattan, KS
Teacher(s): Terry Healy,

JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE:

Second Place

Title: Are Three Imbeciles Enough? Carrie Buck and the Sterilization of the "Feebleminded"
Students: Kathryn Rasmussen,
School: Washburn Rural Middle School, Topeka, KS
Teacher(s): Alice Bertels,

First Place

Title: I Object: The Rights and Responsibilities of the Conscientious Objector
Students: Alex Miller,
School: Partridge Grade School, Partridge, KS
Teacher(s): Vicki Galloway,

JUNIOR GROUP PERFORMANCE:

Second Place

Title: Revelation to Revolution: The Fight for Disability Rights
Students: Megan Beemer, Brooklyn DeForeest, Allison Linton, Jordan Wontorski, Emily Moore,
School: Maize Middle School, Maize, KS
Teacher(s): Kim Newby,

First Place

Title: Billy Dixon and the Buffalo Hunters: Rights and Responsibilities on the American Frontier
Students: Cavan McCabe, Iris Hyde,
School: Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence, KS
Teacher(s): Sonja Czarnecki, Sara Asher,

JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENTARY:

Second Place

Title: The Rights and Responsibilities of Dr. Donna Sweet
Students: Rebecca Jensen,
School: Robinson Middle School, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Molly Lavacek,

First Place

Title: 'Tis a Gift to be Free: Quakers in the Abolition Movement
Students: Jack Blonigen,
School: Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence, KS
Teacher(s): Sonja Czarnecki, Sara Asher,

JUNIOR GROUP DOCUMENTARY:

Second Place

Title: The Ogallala Aquifer
Students: Helena All, Azucena Melchor,
School: Liberty Memorial Central Middle School, Lawrence, KS
Teacher(s): Christine Conner,

First Place

Title: The Piatt Street Crash: Civil Rights and Civic Responsibilities
Students: Emily Burd, Mason Loy,
School: Seaman Middle School, Topeka, KS
Teacher(s): Kyle Johnson,

JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL WEBSITE:

Second Place

Title: The Delano Grape Strike: The Manong Generation's Fight for Rights
Students: Michael Navarro, Jr.,
School: Washburn Rural Middle School, Topeka, KS
Teacher(s): Alice Bertels,

First Place

Title: Japanese Internment Camps
Students: Levi Nutter,
School: Woodrow Wilson Elementary, Manhattan, KS
Teacher(s): Terry Healy,

JUNIOR GROUP WEBSITES:

Second Place

Title: John Brown and the Harper's Ferry Raid
Students: Zoey Gates, Logan Lineberger, Brody Brown,
School: Marlatt Elementary, Manhattan, KS
Teacher(s): Terry Healy,

First Place

Title: Outerspace Treaty of 1967
Students: Caden Hickel, Micah Stewart,
School: Woodrow Wilson Elementary, Manhattan, KS
Teacher(s): Terry Healy,

SENIOR HISTORICAL PAPER:

Second Place

Title: "The Practice of Dowry: A Cultural Crime Against Indian Women"
Students: Saniya Ahmed,
School: East High School, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Wendy Donaldson,

First Place

Title: Kulturkampf: Domestic Responsibilities of the State and International Rights of the Papacy
Students: Kurtis Engel,
School: Blue Valley West High, Overland Park, KS
Teacher(s): Paul Stuewe,

SENIOR INDIVIDUAL EXHIBIT:

Second Place

Title: Miranda and the Establishment of our Rights
Students: Olivia Seiwert,
School: Bishop Carroll Catholic High, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Janet Berry,

First Place

Title: Revealed Through a Lens
Students: Kalen Moss,
School: Hillsboro High, Hillsboro, KS
Teacher(s): Kaylene Mueller,

SENIOR GROUP EXHIBIT:

Second Place

Title: Branch Rickey and His Backdoor Slider
Students: Gabrielle Biby, Elizabeth Hybl,
School: Bishop Carroll Catholic High, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Janet Berry,

First Place

Title: Four Dead in Ohio: The Kent State Shooting
Students: William Lies, Jakob Wulf-Eck,
School: Bishop Carroll Catholic High, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Janet Berry,

SENIOR INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE:

Second Place

Title: Kays Accepts Responsibility to Serve
Students: Quentin Umphenour,
School: Jayhawk-Linn High, Mound City, KS
Teacher(s): Katie Umphenour,

First Place

Title: The Americans with Disabilities Act: The Social Mandate That Defines the Responsibilities of all to Protect the Rights of Some
Students: Sadie Keller,
School: Lawrence High, Lawrence, KS
Teacher(s): Valerie Schrag,

SENIOR GROUP PERFORMANCE:

Second Place

Title: Tinkering With Student Rights: The Iconic Decision in Tinker V. Des Moines
Students: Andrew Gill, Natalie Brodine, Emily Stanley, Jeremy Wells,
School: Seaman High, Topeka, KS
Teacher(s): Susan Sittenauer,

First Place

Title: A Discourse on Women's Rights During the Enlightenment
Students: Donya Jahandar, Marin Hodges, Frankie Skinner, Carly McDonald, Brigid Mark,
School: Blue Valley West High, Overland Park, KS
Teacher(s): Paul Stuewe,

SENIOR INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENTARY:

Second Place

Title: We Shall Overcome: How Tragedy in Selma Led to a Voting Rights Triumph
Students: Avery Munns,
School: Washburn Rural High, Topeka, KS

Teacher(s): Alice Bertels,

First Place

Title: Rights and Responsibilities of Engineers and the Public

Students: Alexandra Lyle,

School: Hayden High, Topeka, KS

Teacher(s): Mike Zeleznak,

SENIOR GROUP DOCUMENTARY:

Second Place

Title: Lewis Hine: Overworked Children Revealed Through a Camera Lens

Students: Bailey Bushnell, Kendall Leatherman,

School: Seaman High, Topeka, KS

Teacher(s): Susan Sittenauer,

First Place

Title: Pruitt Igoe: An Experiment Gone Awry

Students: Rose Kennedy, Celie Davison,

School: Lawrence High, Lawrence, KS

Teacher(s): Jack Hood,

SENIOR INDIVIDUAL WEBSITE:

Second Place

Title: All Aboard the Orphan Train: A Journey Into How the Orphan Trains Influenced the Rights and Responsibilities of Today's Foster Care System

Students: Megan Lehman,

School: Seaman High, Topeka, KS

Teacher(s): Susan Sittenauer,

First Place

Title: Jim Crow meets Brown: One Decision Galvanizes a Nation

Students: Lillian Wen,

School: IQ Academy, Manhattan, KS

Teacher(s): Erin Wen, Beth Bergsten,

SENIOR GROUP WEBSITES:

Second Place

Title: A Free Lawyer For You: Gideon V. Wainwright and the Right to Counsel

Students: Katelyn Hersh, Michael Devoe,

School: Seaman High, Topeka, KS

Teacher(s): Susan Sittenauer,

First Place

Title: Forced Sterilization: "Better for All the World"?
Students: Anna Dinh, Olivia Borland,
School: Bishop Carroll Catholic High, Wichita, KS
Teacher(s): Janet Berry,

AWARD WINNERS

Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area Award:
Caroline Cundiff & Lilyanne Nicholas (School: Bishop Carroll Catholic High, Wichita, KS)

Lowell Milken Center Unsung Hero Award:
Alex Miller (School: Partridge Grade School, Partridge, KS)

Native Sons and Daughters of Greater Kansas City Award:
Julia Barton & Ella Blake & Chloe Akers (School: Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence, KS)

Norman and Karen Conard Award for Diversity:
Maha Abouodah & Huda Dalaq & Rebecca Abraham & Alaa Youssef & Afeerah Malik
(School: Blue Valley West High, Overland Park, KS)

Robert J. Dole Congressional History Prize:

First Prize

Sadie Keller, Sr. Individual Performance, "The Americans with Disabilities Act: The Social Mandate That Defines the Responsibilities of all to Protect the Rights of Some"

Second Place

Kaylee Berroth, Jr. Historical Paper, "PMRC: Their Fight for Music Censorship Rights"

Third Place

Kim Jalosjos, Jr. Individual Exhibit, "The Voting Rights Act of 1965: Ensuring the Vote for African Americans"