



## New Rulebook and Judging Evaluation Forms for 2015

The NHD [Rulebook](#) has been updated for 2015. While most of the changes are an effort to clarify rules, there are some *major* changes, so teacher, students, and parents are strongly encourage to read the new edition carefully. NHD has produced a [summary](#) of the changes. Both the summary and the new rulebook are available on the [KHD website](#). NHD staff also made changes to the [judging evaluation forms](#), which can also be found on the KHD website.

## Vote for the Top 100 Leaders



Don't forget to vote for your favorite leaders! You and your students can go online to the [100 Leaders](#) website to vote. Voting is not limited to NHD students, so spread the word to you fellow teachers. Students can also enter the poster contest, and there are curriculum materials for teachers available on the website.

## Improvements Made to the Online Registration

NHD has made some much desired updates to the contest Online Registration system. Changes include:

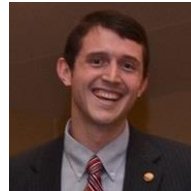
- Teachers can see what required registration items students are missing by scrolling on the student name within their teacher account.
- The login screen now features a larger button to create a new username and password.
- Emails must be entered twice to confirm.

## New State Contest Sponsor

KHDF is pleased to welcome [Attorneys Palmer, Leatherman, White & Girard, L.L.P.](#) as sponsors for this year's state contest.

## Behring Teacher Ambassadors Program

NHD has started a new program this year, thanks to a grant from the Behrings, to utilize the winners of the affiliate Behring Teachers of the Year Awards as a way to tap-in to their expertise and help spread the word about History Day. Only 28 teachers were selected for the program, and Kansas has 2 of them: Terry Healy in Manhattan and Kyle Johnson in Topeka. Terry and Kyle are contributing by serving as mentors to new teachers, representing the KHD at conferences, helping with efforts to stabilize districts, and offering to assist with workshops.

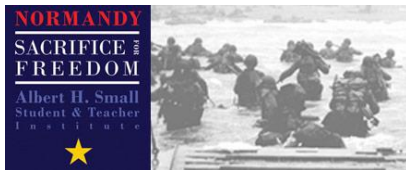


## Just One Initiative

In an effort to increase participation by teachers, KHD is undertaking a new initiative: *Just One*. The idea, courtesy of our BTA Terry Healy, is to have every teacher participating in a District Contest or the State Contest to bring just one new teacher with them to the judge or experience the contest. Those who bring a teacher will receive a 2015 KHD t-shirt.

## KHD Website Updates

Several updates have been made to the KHD website since July. Many pages that have been listed as being "under construction" since the new site was created now hove content. If you would like to serve as a mentor to a new NHD teacher or provide a testimonial for the website, please email Letha Johnson at [letha\\_johnson@att.net](mailto:letha_johnson@att.net).



## Apply for the 2015 NHD Albert H. Small Normandy: Sacrifice for Freedom Student & Teacher Institute

In June 2015 fifteen student/teacher teams will engage in a rigorous study of D-Day and WWII. The program features lectures by leading WWII historians, study of war memorials in D.C. area, and walking the beaches of Normandy. Students make presentations on the Normandy Campaign and participate in a wreath-laying at the American Cemetery in Normandy. For more information, visit the [NHD website](#) and to download the application.

## AmazonSmile

Shop at [AmazonSmile](#) and Amazon will make a donation to NHD!

## Available Teacher and Student Resources

### NHD Resources

- [NoodleTools](#): an online platform that promotes authentic research and original writing. Integrated tools for note-taking and outlining, source evaluation and citation support students' critical and creative thinking.
- [Google+ Hangouts](#) series for students: students submit questions via Twitter at #NHDHangouts and can view previous hangouts.
- [Webinars](#) for teachers: register for upcoming live webinars or view recorded ones.

### KHD Resources

- [Mentors](#)
- [Research Links](#)
- [Workshops](#)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Google+ Hangouts

- Ask an Archivist with the National Archives Tuesday, December 2, 2014, 6pm ET / 3pm PT
- Ask the Expert Series with the National Endowment for the Humanities
  - Websites: Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 6pm
  - Papers: Monday, December 15, 2014, 6pm
  - Performances: Tuesday, January 13, 2015, 6pm
  - Documentaries: Tuesday, January 20, 2015, 6pm
  - Exhibits: Tuesday, January 27, 2015, 6pm

### Kansas Contests

- February 28
  - District 3 Contest at Washburn University in Topeka
  - District 4 Contest at Eisenhower Middle School in Manhattan
- March 7
  - District 1 Contest at Blue Valley West High School in Overland Park
- April 25
  - State History Day Contest at Washburn University in Topeka

### Conferences

- April 17-18, 2015: [Kansas Association of Historians](#)