National History Day Qualifiers

Congratulations to the following students from the Chicago metro region on qualifying for National History Day!

Individual Documentary

Junior Division

• Lydia Jayne: The Challenger Disaster; Hours of Debate – Tragedy in Seconds
• Elan Kaeding Valentine: The General vs the President

Senior Division

• Olivia Jessen: Diplomacy in a Vacuum
• Corona Chen: Ping-Pong Diplomacy: How an “Accidental” Encounter Led to a Diplomatic Victory in U.S.-China Relations

Individual Exhibit

Junior Division

• Henry C. Pyskacek: Adaptive Negotiations: Diplomacy During the Cuban Missile Crisis

Senior Division

• Daniel Roque: Uprising in the Coalfields: The Battle of Blair Mountain
• Katherine Timm: Hamilton, Jefferson, and the Deal for D.C.

Individual Performance

Junior Division

• Ryann Dawson: The Negro Question: Integration v Segregation, From Slave to Scholars

Senior Division

• Kaley Perryman: Segregation and Desegregation in the Education System
**Individual Website**

Junior Division

- Stella Wise: The Berlin Blockade: When Diplomacy Fails

Senior Division

- Katherine Bai: Griswold v. Connecticut: How a Contraceptives Case Ignited a Heated Debate on the Right to Privacy
- Lena Stole: Annexation or Occupation: Bayonet Diplomacy, Limited Congressional Debate, and the Ambiguous Status of the 50th State

**Paper**

Junior Division

- Neena Agrawal: The Debate Over Disability Rights: How the 504 Sit-In Created Disability Diplomacy

Senior Division


**Group Documentary**

Junior Division

- Ella Fang, Megan Tan, Elsa Torres: The Opium Wars: An Excuse for British Foreign Policy
- Simon Gidalevitz, Iliyan Nathani, Owen Myers, James Canar: Bullets for Peace: The Diplomatic Successes of the Kent State Massacre

Senior Division

- Sara Kumar, Donovan Miller, Lauren Tapper: AlMing for a Diplomatic Future: The American Indian Movement’s Occupation of the BIA
• Louis Auxenfans, William Tan, Serena Thomas: Jazz Justice: The Ironic Consequences of the State Department’s Cold War Diplomacy During the Civil Rights Era

**Group Exhibit**

**Junior Division**

• Slokha Anandula, Nidhi Karekar, Emily Zmyslowski: The Fight for Forest Preserves: The Tale of Busse Woods Creation

**Senior Division**

• Nola Malito, Stephanie Marchan, Angelica Ruiz: The Swastika War: Limits to “Freedom of Speech”; NeoNazi vs. Jewish

• Preston Wright, Jack Gagamov: Post WWII Reconstruction

**Group Performance**

**Junior Division**

• Anvita Vinu, Carolyn Zhang, Mridula Prabu: Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity During the Enlightenment: Debate Throughout France

• Zulia Lopez and Reka Nabe: Plessy Versus Ferguson: A Reenactment

**Senior Division**

• Charles Benton, Jenna Kilkus, Myra Malkic: Never Diplomatic but Always Determined: Emma Goldman’s Debate on Free Expression

**Group Website**

**Junior Division**

• Janelle Chan, Cynthia Chen, Prisara Chumsangsri, Chloe Mui, Alina Zhao: The New Deal: How a Series of Programs Corrected the Anti-Labor Atmosphere of America and Set the Foundation for A New Era of Industry

• Vladislav Bodnaruk, Steven Jiang, Dou Lai, William Wang: “A City within A City”: The Cabrini Green Housing Projects
Senior Division

• Jessica Daugherty, Ege Halac, Jack McRoberts: Taking a Diplomatic Approach to the Most Urgent Debate: How The World’s Chance To Solve The Climate Crisis Evaporated in Rio

• Riya Thomas, Reba Thomas: Vashti McCollum: How One Woman Changed Religious Instruction in Public Schools