

HISTORY FAIR

NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Name: _____

Assigned Topic: _____

The purpose of the History Fair is for students to learn more about an area of history they are already studying in class. As your child grows older, projects will be required of them more and more as they reach middle school age. As students mature, they will be required to do a more in-depth project.

All students in grades 1-5 are required to complete a project. Each student will be given a Social Studies grade from their teacher. Projects are to be done at home. Parents will need to help students with their projects. These projects should be a family affair. Topics will be assigned by the teachers and will be based on historical events or people that they are studying in class. A project consists of a display board and a written paper (grades 3-5).

Students in grades 1 and 2 will make a display based on a topic assigned by their teacher.

Students in grades 3 through 5 will make a display based on a topic assigned by their teacher and write a report about their project that includes all of the parts listed below.

- 3rd grade students will write a one page handwritten report
- 4th grade students will write a two page handwritten report
- 5th grade students will write a three page handwritten report

The display board should be an advertisement of each student's topic and show what has been learned. Displays should be colorful and attractive so that others will want to stop and see what the project is all about. Displays should include: a title, written information that shows research about your topic, pictures and drawings. Displays may include: structures or any other 3 dimensional objects that pertain to the historical subject and within the size limits. The student's name **should not** appear anywhere on the display board or written material included on the display board. A student should never print something off the internet and put it on their board. Students should use their own words when putting written material on their display. Displays are limited to the following size for all grades: 36 inches high by 24 inches wide by 16 inches deep.

The written report (grades 3-5) should contain: a **Title Page**, an **Introduction** which states the main idea of the report, the **Body** of their report which contains specific and detailed information that supports and develops the main idea, a **Conclusion** which summarizes the points and sometimes adds an opinion about the topic and a list of at least **3 References (Bibliography)** which lists the sources you used for your paper. All papers must be handwritten. Parents may help students compose this paper but the language and vocabulary must be on the student's grade level.

Students will be judged on the following:

- Oral Report – each student will briefly describe their project and what they learned about their project.
- Display Board – each display will be judged on how well the display “advertises” the topic, how accurate is the information on the display and how creative the display is presented.
- Written Report – required for students in 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. Reports will be judged on the required parts of the paper, the length, grammar, spelling, the historical content and the correct number of sources.