Dear Virginia History Day Constituents,

Keeping with recent guidance provided by the Governor of Virginia and the National History Day (NHD) leadership team, the 2020 Virginia History Day state contest, scheduled to take place at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture (VMHC) on April 25th and 26th, will now move to a virtual format. Even though the contest will now take place digitally, the VMHC is committed to providing an opportunity for Virginia History Day students to continue their academic scholarship, receive the feedback they deserve, and showcase their hard work during these challenging times. VMHC staff will remain available throughout the process to assist students, parents, and teachers with this change.

The new deadline to register for the state contest will be April 17th. By that date, qualifying students must upload a digital version of their project via the state contest registration page (va.nhd.org). Guidelines on what to include and how to upload submissions can be found on va.nhd.org, as well as the Virginia History Day page on the VMHC website.

Due to guidelines stipulated by the NHD office, no student interviews will be conducted as part of the virtual judging process. Judges will digitally review students’ projects between April 23rd and April 30th. State contest winners will be announced on May 4th.

Thank you to all Virginia History Day students, parents, teachers, and supporters who make this meaningful program possible. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these changes, please contact Virginia History Day Coordinator Sam Florer at sflorer@virginiahistory.org.

Sincerely,

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