



Fireside Educational Fairs – Guidelines for Entries

HISTORY / SOCIAL STUDIES FAIR

Students name, age group, category and project type MUST be printed on a 3 x 5 card and attached to the back, side, or bottom of the project.

Projects will be divided into FOUR age groups: K-2 3-5 6-8 9-12

(Note: Teams of two will be allowed for students in 8th grade and under. Note that students taking this option will be judged at a higher standard than individuals -- while each member of the team will receive a ribbon, only one trophy will be awarded if the entry is a division winner.)

Student should be available to answer questions from the judges during their assigned judging period. Points will be deducted if student is not available for questions about their entry.

CATEGORIES FOR THIS FAIR:

- Ancient History
- US History
- PA History
- World History
- Church History
- Geography
- Government / Civics
- Holidays



PROJECT TYPES EACH HAVE SPECIFIC GUIDELINES:

Map: NO larger than 22 x 28 inches. TWO DIMENSIONAL ONLY – three dimensional maps MUST be entered as a table-top display. Computer generated maps are NOT acceptable.

Table Top Displays: NO larger than 18 inches deep x 38 inches wide x 36 inches high. Tri-fold displays can be no longer than 38 inches across the front when open.

Game: NO larger than 18 x 24 inches.

Poster: NO larger than 22 x 28 inches. Visual art posters could include printmaking, painting, drawing, collage, needlework, photography. Art work on paper, poster board, or canvas is acceptable. Visual impact is a critical component of this category.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Historical / Geographic significance (is entry clearly related to topic presented?)
- Presentation of Ideas (is material presented clearly? Does project show understanding?)
- Creativity (Is project unique? Is display visually appealing?)
- Understanding (Did student use appropriate research method? Is it significant for age level?)
- Technical Skills (Was majority of work done by THE STUDENT? Does written material show attention to grammar and spelling?)