

National History Day: Tips for Parents

Here are some ways parents can help ensure that their student successfully completes this project and gains the most from the experience:

- Talk with your student about his/her topic. Be sure to ask questions about cause and impact on history.
- Ask to see the History Day Research Checklist and the December and January calendars. Your student should be writing due dates on the calendar each week. Check to see where he/she is in the research process.
- Have your student define primary and secondary sources.
- Talk about the sources your student has found. Discuss possible people that he/she might interview as a primary source.
- Listen to your student's ideas for a project focus (thesis statement).
- Give feedback on project development.
- Read written materials and give feedback.
- Check the following website for History Day information, handouts, sample projects, and links to more information.

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