



2023 State Contest Results

Note: Student in first and second place of each category are the Ohio Affiliate National Qualifiers! More information will be sent to those students via email.

Junior Group Documentary

1st Place

Students: Sylvia Swai, Leanne Zheng

Project Title: *The Frontiers of Interracial Marriage in America: Loving vs. Virginia*

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Georgina Kohut, Jessica Wilcox

2nd Place

Students: Arav Bhandari, Suryan Jain

Project Title: *Enrico Fermi, Exploring Abundance and Annihilation of the Nuclear Frontier*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Joe Parrino, Connie Miller

3rd Place

Students: Candice Pho, Annie Rao

Project Title: *Wall of Legacy*

School: Genoa Middle School

Teacher: Deanna McDaniel, Leslie Thompson

Honorable Mention

Students: Andrew Khawam, Brian Milindi

Project Title: *Decoys in D-Day: A Frontier of Deception that Changed World War Two*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

Senior Group Documentary

1st Place

Students: Keyshawn Ragin, Wyatt Roth, Samuel Luther, Malachai Shulman

Project Title: *The Height of the Fight: Bill Russell as a Trailblazer for Activism in the NBA*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Joseph Konopinski

2nd Place

Students: Siya Lakireddy, Aanya Lakireddy, Brooke Gemechu, Areesha Nouman

Project Title: *Gertrude Ederle: How One Female Swimmer Pushed the English Channel Frontier to Change the Lives of Women*

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark



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3rd Place

Students: Sophie Schroeder, Adonia Balqis, Elena Earley
Project Title: *How the Case of Roe v Wade Transformed Lives*
School: Whetstone High School
Teacher: Krista Buckley, Kathy Arnold

Honorable Mention

Students: Jesse Nathenson, Joey Moore, Matthew Jones, Zachary Nathenson
Project Title: *Bessie Coleman: Fight through Flight*
School: Shaker Heights High School
Teacher: Sarah Davis

Junior Group Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Zora Asalu, Kritika Chahar
Project Title: *A Challenging Frontier: Brown v. Board of Education and the Quest for Equality in Schools*
School: Birchwood School of Hawken
Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Eliza Bala, Kyla Morrisey
Project Title: *Frontiers in Labour Unions in Britain: The Matchgirls' Strike*
School: Menlo Park Academy
Teacher: Georgina Kohut, Jessica Wilcox

3rd Place

Students: Cameron Cooper, Kelsy Thompson
Project Title: *All-American Girls Professional Baseball League*
School: Genoa Middle School
Teacher: Deanna McDaniel, Caitlin Begeny

Honorable Mention

Students: Emily Bull, Jordan Holub
Project Title: *Frontiers in Braille and Blind Access*
School: Menlo Park Academy
Teacher: Georgina Kohut, Jessica Wilcox



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Senior Group Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Meredith Hurley, Grace Kaelber, Ezra Ellenbogen, Ingrid Holda

Project Title: *The Final Frontier: How Human Computers Advanced Equality and Science at NASA*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Joseph Konopinski, Sarah Davis

2nd Place

Students: Grant Bauer, Joseph Schaeffer

Project Title: *Vergeltungswaffen-2 the Frontier Breaker of Space*

School: Huron High School

Teacher: John Harkelroad

3rd Place

Students: Lucy Horrigan, Maya Mayan, Eamonn Furey, Lowell Rich

Project Title: *Harriet Tubman: A Moses to Her People*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis, Joseph Konopinski

Honorable Mention

Students: David Hudson, Sofia Zucca, Natalie Konrad, Madeline Kuta

Project Title: *Frank Lloyd Wright: Architect of America*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

Junior Group Performance

1st Place

Students: Ishika Chand, Manya Raina, Yara Salam

Project Title: *Establishing the Cleveland Clinic's Guiding Vision; How Battlefield Experiences Inspired Exploration into the Frontier of More Efficient Patient Care for Better Outcomes*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Elizabeth Dornan, Ollie Reitz

Project Title: *Taking Their Swing: The Rockford Peaches*

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Georgina Kohut, Jessica Wilcox



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3rd Place

Students: Jillian Hall, Rory Martin, Daphne McCombs, Brylee Preston, Zoey Vore

Project Title: *A New Frontier Driven by Flames; The Triangle Shirtwaist Fire*

School: River Valley Middle School

Teacher: Lisa Richie

Honorable Mention

Students: Marcella Morris, Hannah Tedrow

Project Title: *When Chicago Burned to the Ground*

School: Pike Delta York Middle School

Teacher: Jane Foor

Junior Group Website

1st Place

Students: Ayah Dinary, Leen Salem, Rhea Kumar

Project Title: *Lewis Hine: Pioneering the Frontier of Photography for Social Change*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Simran Sarkar, Niva Yadav

Project Title: *Norman Borlaug and the Green Revolution: Frontiers in Agriculture*

School: Mayfield Middle School

Teacher: Rachael Streitman

3rd Place

Students: Maliha Nadkarni, Saanvi Chari

Project Title: *Blackwell Sisters: Opening the Frontier for Women Healthcare Workers*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Joe Parrino, Connie Miller

Honorable Mention

Students: Kaylee Haupt, Ella Renner

Project Title: *17-Year-Old Fighting to Break Frontiers*

School: Brookville Intermediate School

Teacher: Joyce Dorsey



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Students: Emma Rush, Scarlet Price

Project Title: *"Women's Liberation is a Lesbian Plot!" The Lavender Menace Meets The Feminist Frontier*

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee

2nd Place

Students: Tima Ewing, Nathan Ballman

Project Title: *Granville T. Woods: A Forgotten Pioneer of the Third Rail, Multiplex Telegram, and Emergency Brake*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

3rd Place

Students: Nathan Walter, Kevin Bollo

Project Title: *Houston, What's for Lunch?: How Space Food Opened the Door for Greater Space Exploration*

School: Watkins Memorial High School

Teacher: Jennifer Hickey

Honorable Mention

Students: Eesha Tanneru, Ella Tang, Alaina Dadlani

Project Title: *Founding Freedom in The Graveyard of Empires*

School: Columbus Academy

Teacher: Tim Morford

Junior Individual Documentary

1st Place

Students: Joshua Gordon

Project Title: *The Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906: Exploring the Lawless Frontier of Food and Drug Regulation*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Joshua Thomas

Project Title: *Then and Now: John Snow and the Frontier of Epidemiology*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino



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3rd Place

Students: Sami Elliott

Project Title: *Wind, Sand and a Dream: The Wright Brothers and Their High Hopes of a New Frontier*

School: ST. Peter & Paul

Teacher: Dana Wiseman

Honorable Mention

Students: Norah Tournoux

Project Title: *Betty Friedan: Carving the Path to a New Frontier in Women's Rights*

School: Mayfield Middle School

Teacher: Rachael Streitman

Senior Individual Documentary

1st Place

Students: Jiahe Su

Project Title: *Frontiers of Democracy - Students for a Democratic Society*

School: Western Reserve Academy

Teacher: Sarah Horgan

2nd Place

Students: Qiwen Wu

Project Title: *The Unsung Heroines of the Space Race: Female Pioneers of the STEM field*

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

3rd Place

Students: Paige Dix

Project Title: *Blazing Through the Sound Barrier: The Discovery of Sound in Film*

School: Western Reserve Academy

Teacher: Sarah Horgan

Honorable Mention

Students: Sam Husenits

Project Title: *The Russian Civil War: The Rise of Communism*

School: Whetstone High School

Teacher: Krista Buckley, Kathy Arnold



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Junior Individual Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Zachary Fuhrer

Project Title: *Sesame Street. Entertainment: The Education Frontier*

School: St. Barnabas School

Teacher: Judith Darus

2nd Place

Students: Cambria Hudberg

Project Title: *The Painful Discovery of Anesthesia*

School: Genoa Middle School

Teacher: Deanna McDaniel, Lori Howland

3rd Place

Students: Katelynn Bugzavich

Project Title: *Igniting Progression: The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire*

School: Saint Rose Catholic School

Teacher: Anthony Catale

Honorable Mention

Students: Isaiah Fuhr

Project Title: *Ironton: The City That Shaped America*

School: Rock Hill Middle School

Teacher: Rhonda Hacker

Senior Individual Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Kennedi Curry

Project Title: *The Bronx Boogie Down Borough: The Frontier That Birthed Hip-Hop Culture*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

2nd Place

Students: Elise Lopez

Project Title: *Dr. Jane C. Wright: Pioneer in Oncology*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

3rd Place

Students: Opal Shipley

Project Title: *The Steps to Accessibility: The Capitol Crawl and the ADA*

School: Whetstone High School

Teacher: Krista Buckley, Kathy Arnold



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Honorable Mention

Students: Christiana Primeau

Project Title: *Garrett Morgan: Overcoming Discrimination from Consumers and Improving the Safety of America*

School: Lutheran West

Teacher: David Ressler

Junior Individual Performance

1st Place

Students: Caroline Lu

Project Title: *Lise Meitner: The Forsaken and Forgotten Pioneer of the Fission Frontier*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Juliana Sacco

Project Title: *The Frontier of Women Investigative Reporters: Nellie Bly*

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Georgina Kohut, Jessica Wilcox

3rd Place

Students: Sabrina Syed

Project Title: *A Dangerous Yet Bright Frontier: Marie Curie and the Discovery of Radium*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

Honorable Mention

Students: Kaelyn Fletcher

Project Title: *The First Lady of Song*

School: John F. Kennedy Catholic School

Teacher: Samuel Young, Justin Prommersberger

Senior Individual Performance

1st Place

Students: Sophie Pangrace

Project Title: *Isabella: Queen of a Vast Frontier*

School: Rocky River High School

Teacher: Terrance Hudson



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2nd Place

Students: Grace Cremeans

Project Title: *Frontiers of Broadway Theatre, the Unknown Star: Jonathan Larson*

School: River Valley High School

Teacher: Brent Smith

3rd Place

Students: Trevor Swan

Project Title: *The Nutritional Hero*

School: Toledo Early College

Teacher: Zachary Shepler

Junior Individual Website

1st Place

Students: Jonathan Samulak

Project Title: *Sputnik: Launching a New Frontier in Space*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Ariel Catacutan

Project Title: *Frontiers in Leadership - Women as President: Corazon Aquino*

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Georgina Kohut, Jessica Wilcox

3rd Place

Students: Catherine Mahoney

Project Title: *Ella P. Stewart: A Pioneer in Pharmaceuticals*

School: Walnut Hills High School

Teacher: Michael Cabral

Honorable Mention

Students: Thomas McClendon

Project Title: *Pioneers of the Sky: Ideas That Took Flight*

School: St. Barnabas School

Teacher: Judith Darus



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Senior Individual Website

1st Place

Students: Aashvi Kenia

Project Title: *Silent Spring: How the "Poison Book" Forged the Frontier of the Environmental Movement*

School: Independent Entry

Teacher: Independent Entry

2nd Place

Students: Celine Omega

Project Title: *Dress to Express, Not Impress: Frontiers of The Woman's Suffrage Movement and Feminism*

School: Western Reserve Academy

Teacher: Sarah Horgan

3rd Place

Students: Abigail Zhao

Project Title: *The Chinese Exclusion Act: A Reckoning in American Immigration Policy*

School: Columbus Academy

Teacher: Tim Morford

Honorable Mention

Students: Autumn Barrows

Project Title: *"This is America": The MFDP's Fight for Representation*

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee

Junior Paper

1st Place

Students: Mason Zhang

Project Title: *The Marshall Plan: A New Frontier In the Implementation and Usage of Economic Aid*

School: Shaker Heights Middle School

Teacher: David Saluga

2nd Place

Students: Haadeya Salman

Project Title: *The Creation of the Erie Canal: Digging into the Midwest Frontier*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Joe Parrino, Connie Miller



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3rd Place

Students: Nikko Theodorou

Project Title: *The Space Pioneer | Vostok 1 & The Flight of Yuri Gagarin*

School: Toledo Technology Academy of Engineering

Teacher: Andrew Brandt

Honorable Mention

Students: Emily Moran

Project Title: *The Seneca Falls Convention: A Frontier in Women's Suffrage*

School: Mason Middle School

Teacher: Erin White

Senior Paper

1st Place

Students: Omar Elbadawy

Project Title: *The Northwest Ordinance: Forging a Frontier Republic and a Path to Freedom in the Ohio Country*

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

2nd Place

Students: Edward Li

Project Title: *Cars, Cities, Culture: The American Asphalt Frontier of the Twentieth Century*

School: The Seven Hills School

Teacher: Beth Driehaus

3rd Place

Students: Stephen Kosco

Project Title: *Theodore Roosevelt's Lasting Legacy as the First Conservationist President*

School: Western Reserve Academy

Teacher: Sarah Horgan

Honorable Mention

Students: Cavin Xue

Project Title: *Manilamen of the Bayous: An Exploration of Filipino-American Impact on the Louisiana Frontier*

School: Western Reserve Academy

Teacher: Sarah Horgan





2023 Special Award Winners

African American History Award

Junior

Students: Kritika Chahar, Zora Asalu

Project Title: *A Challenging Frontier: Brown v. Board of Education and the Quest for Equality in Schools*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller

Senior

Students: The Final Frontier: How Human Computers Advanced Equality and Science at NASA

Project Title: Ezra Ellenbogen, Grace Kaelber, Ingrid Holda, Meredith Hurley

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis, Joseph Konopinski

American Founding Award

Students: Tillman Hawk

Project Title: *The Articles of Confederation: America's Frontier Document in Democracy*

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee

The History of Education Award

Junior

Students: Macy Moran

Project Title: *Elizabeth Blackwell: Pioneer in Medicine*

School: Olentangy-Berkshire Middle School

Teacher: Monica Holmberg

Senior

Students: Nichole Ball

Project Title: *"The scientist among feminists" - How Leta Hollingsworth forged the frontier of giftedness"*

School: Watkins Memorial High School

Teacher: Jennifer Hickey

National Maritime Historical Award

Junior 1st Place

Students: Haadeya Salman

Project Title: *The Creation of the Erie Canal: Digging into the Midwest Frontier*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Joe Parrino



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Junior 2nd Place

Students: Alan Miller, Ellen Zhang

Project Title: *"How the Sinking of the Titanic Led to a Whole New Frontier of Safety Precautions"*

School: Mayfield Middle School

Teacher: Rachael Streitman

Senior 1st Place

Students: Aanya Lakireddy, Areesha Nouman, Brooke Gemechu, Siya Lakireddy

Project Title: *Gertrude Ederle: How One Female Swimmer Pushed the English Channel Frontier to Change the Lives of Women*

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

Senior 2nd Place

Students: Melody Williams

Project Title: *The HMS Challenger Expedition: Discovering the Mystery of the Ocean*

School: Christian Community School

Teacher: Michael Hoehn

Ohio Academy of History Award

Students: Annabelle Kamerman, Vishista Nayak

Project Title: *Re-drawing Germany - Frontiers in a Divided Germany*

School: Mayfield High School

Teacher: Michael Hughes

The Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board History Day Award

Note: Two Junior awards were given for this award this year.

Junior

Students: Catherine Mahoney

Project Title: *Ella P. Stewart: A Pioneer in Pharmaceuticals*

School: Walnut Hills High School

Teacher: Michael Cabral

Junior

Students: Ayah Dinary, Leen Salem, Rhea Kumar

Project Title: *Lewis Hine: Pioneering the Frontier of Photography for Social Change*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller



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The Ohio Local History Alliance Award

Junior

Students: Olivia Panciu, Sophia Panciu

Project Title: *Frontiers in Women's Air Racing: The 1929 Powder Puff Derby*

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Georgina Kohut

Senior

Students: Nathan Ballman, Tima Ewing

Project Title: *Granville T. Woods: A Forgotten Pioneer of the Third Rail, Multiplex Telegram, and Emergency Brake*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

Ohio Pride History Award

Students: Emma Rush, Scarlet Price

Project Title: *"Women's Liberation is a Lesbian Plot!" The Lavender Menace Meets The Feminist Frontier*

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee

The Ohio Women in Government Award

Junior

Students: Kaya Amin, Maya Vazhkudai

Project Title: *A Landmark Case: Roe v. Wade*

School: Genoa Middle School

Teacher: Deanna McDaniel

Senior

Students: Cassandra Webster

Project Title: *Katherine Johnson: Crossing Frontiers of Segregation, Gender Bias, and Space*

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

The Pro Football Hall of Fame History Award

Students: Fraser Hartnell

Project Title: *Michigan State's "Underground Railroad" Forges New Frontiers in College Athletics and American Society*

School: Walnut Springs Middle School

Teacher: Lauren Griffin



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The Society of Ohio Archivists Award

Junior

Students: Sofia Sideris

Project Title: *Dorothy Fuldheim, Blazing a Trail for Women in Broadcasting*

School: Birchwood School of Hawken

Teacher: Connie Miller

Senior

Students: Omar Elbadawy

Project Title: *The Northwest Ordinance: Forging a Frontier Republic and a Path to Freedom in the Ohio Country*

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark



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