Manatee Village Historical Park Education Programs

Manatee History Day
Local Competition Information

• *Each teacher may only enter 10 entries per category.* This means that “Teacher X” can register up to 10 historical papers, 10 individual exhibit boards, 10 group exhibit boards, 10 individual websites, 10 group websites, 10 individual documentaries, 10 group documentaries, 10 individual performances, and 10 group performances. *These limits will be strictly enforced.*

• Each teacher will need to register for a login and password on the Manatee County Clerk of Court website. (email manatee.village@manateeclerk.com for login and registration instructions)

• Parents are not permitted to register their own students and students are not permitted to register themselves (homeschool or non-school sponsored students should contact manatee.village@manateeclerk.com for registration information).

• Manatee History Day does NOT require schools to conduct a school-wide history fair. Teachers, at the direction of their schools, may determine how to select the projects that will move on to the county level competition.

• Only students registered by the close of online registration will be judged for county level competition. If you have a question about which students were registered, please contact Melissa Porter at 941-749-7165 or Melissa.Porter@Manateeclerk.com.

• Please refer to the NHD Rulebook at NHD.org for category specific rules. These rules will be enforced at Manatee History Day.

• **Website entries MUST be created on www.nhd.weebly.com** (See NHD website category quick guide)

• Students will NOT be interviewed by judges for historical papers, websites or exhibit boards at Manatee History Day.

• Judges WILL ask questions/interview students at the conclusion of documentary and performance presentations at Manatee History Day.
Documentary and Performance judging will take place at Manatee History Day by appointment. The time and building location will be assigned after registration closes and be emailed to teachers the following week to be disbursed to students. Students must bring 3 copies of their bibliography and process paper to judging.

Documentary entries will be provided with a standard DVD player or projector (without USB ports) for their presentation. If the documentary is saved to something other than a DVD or there is a question about compatibility, it is the responsibility of the student to bring their own laptop to play their documentary from. They will not be penalized for using a computer.

Documentary entries will need to leave a copy of their presentation at Manatee Village Historical Park for run-off judging. This will be returned with the judging sheets.

Exhibit board judging will take place at the Manatee County Fairgrounds in Palmetto. Students must leave 3 copies of their bibliography and process paper with their project for judging.

Historical papers must attach their bibliography to their entry for judging.

Websites must include their bibliography and process paper in their website entry.

All category entrants can pick up their judging sheets at the Manatee County Fairgrounds during the exhibit board pick-up time. Any judging sheets not picked up will be returned to their teachers the following week.

We will make every attempt to send a winners list to teachers by email the day of the awards ceremony.

Entries for state team will be selected from each category based on entry content, subject matter, and research conducted. Winning 1st or 2nd place does not guarantee selection to move on to the next level of competition. State team members will be announced at the awards ceremony.

If you have students selected for Florida History Day, you will be contacted by staff at Manatee Village Historical Park to discuss further instructions for students, parents, and teachers.