SAMPLE QUESTIONS FOR National History Day Interview

- 1. When you began looking for a topic, how did you define what Rights and Responsibilities were and how did you use that to find a topic?
- 2. How does your project connect to this year's theme?
- 3. Can you explain how you used historical thinking to research and build your project?
- 4. Please briefly explain the design choices for your exhibit/documentary or website.
- 5. Which research sources did you find the most valuable and why?
- 6. How did you locate primary sources?
- 7. Did using primary sources help you learn anything that you didn't know before?
- 8. What was a helpful primary source? Why?
- 9. How did your thesis change from when you started your project to now?
- 10. Why is it important for us to learn about this topic in history?
- 11. What was your biggest challenge in completing the NHD project?
- 12. What was your favorite part about completing your NHD project?
- 13. If you were to move on to the next level of the NHD competition, what is one thing you would change or improve on your project?
- 14. What were the multiple perspectives you identified as you researched? How did these perspectives influence your project?
- 15. Looking back, what would you tell yourself if you could give yourself a piece of advice when you were beginning the NHD process?
- 16. If you had to give a piece of advice to a student who has never done NHD before, what would your advice be?
- 17. Is there anything else you wanted to discuss that we haven't asked you yet?
- 18. Is there anything you would like to ask us?