Georgia Council for the Social Studies

2015 State Social Studies Fair Winners

Best in Fair

“What Major Country Made the Best Infantry Weapons During World War II?”

Trystan Silverman

Pearl Stephens Elementary School, Houston County Schools

Caroline Randall, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I

“Who Were the Wasps?”

Dillon Watson and Ezra Holloway

Sixes Elementary School, Cherokee County Schools

Kathy Boyle, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Anthropology

“The Paleo Diet: Does It Represent the Neanderthal Diet?”

Adem Jemal and Taniyah Lupoe

C. L. Gideons Elementary School, Atlanta Public Schools

Darlene Dobbs, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Economics

“Social Media’s Effect on ALS”

Brayden Davis and Preston Gibbs

Woodstock Elementary School, Cherokee County Schools

Erica Morrie, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Geography

“What Was the Most Important Factor in the Union’s Victory at Gettysburg?”

Aiden Malcolm

Pearl Stephens Elementary School, Houston County Schools

Aiden Malcolm, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I History

“Manifest Dilemma”

Samuel Holmes

Smith Elementary School, Clayton County Schools

Monica Jones, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Political Science

“The U.S. Constitution: Does It Protect a Citizen’s Rights?”

Kendall Coleman and Morgan Gill

Lorraine Elementary School, Rockdale County Schools

Sophia Bradley, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Sociology/Social Psychology (3 top scorers)

“Are High School Seniors in Newton County Planning to Go

to College Without Taking a Gap?”

Christopher Martin

Newton County Theme School, Newton County Schools

Dr. Charmaine Steele, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II

“The Tybee Railroad”

Thomas Bordeaux

Charles Ellis Montessori Academy, Savannah-Chatham Public Schools

Denny Smith, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Economics

“The Economics of Gas Prices: Why the Ups and Downs?”

Noah Gaines

Veterans Memorial Middle School, Muscogee County Schools

Dr. Gwen Alexander, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II History

“How Sections 4(b) and 5 of the Voting Right Act Affect Voting Policies”

Sudham Chitgopkar and Abhay Chilakamarri

Vickery Creek Middle School, Forsyth County Schools

Lisa Crosby, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Political Science

“The School-to-Prison Pipeline: What is the Societal Impact?”

Charity Williams

Bear Creek Middle School, Fulton County Schools

Jameda Owens, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Sociology/Social Psychology

“Why is New York City Banning its Horse-Drawn Carriages?”

Sophia Kotowski

Esther Garrison School of Visual and Performing Arts

Savannah-Chatham Public Schools

Tracy Hanson, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III

“How Has the Entertainment Industry Impacted the Economy of Georgia?”

Courtney Cummings

Woodstock High School, Cherokee County Schools

Krista Webb, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Anthropology

“Which is Better: Running in a Barefoot/Minimalist Shoe or a Shod Shoe?”

Autumn Philpot

Newton High School, Newton County Schools

Andrew Clink, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Economics

“Global Epidemics: Is It the World Trade Organization?”

Nivedha Soundappan and Aiza Aslam

Houston County High School, Houston County Schools

Maureen Martin, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Geography

“What Are the Cultural and Geographical Effects on Global Chain Restaurants?”

Carter Gall and Kaito Kawamura

Woodstock High School, Cherokee County Schools

Krista Webb, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III History

“The Forgotten Victims: Was It Just Jewish Genocide?”

Kacie Gartner

Newton High School, Newton County Schools

Andrew Clink, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Political Science

“The Eugenic Forced Sterilization Movement in America and

Its Effects on African Americans”

Lucretius Stephens

G.W. Carver High, Muscogee County Schools

William C. Rollins, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Sociology/Social Psychology

“Light Skin Versus Dark Skin”

Jaliyah Goss

Newton High School, Newton County Schools

Andrew Clink, Directing Teacher

Best in Class IV

“Lights, Camera, Georgia!”

Taylor Casey and Kersten Wagoner

Jordan Vocational High School, Muscogee County Schools

Rebecca Atkinson, Directing Teacher

Best in Class IV Economics

“Evolution of New Currency”

Taylor Garlington

Mays High School, Atlanta Public Schools

Eric Nobles, Directing Teacher

Best in Class IV History

“Education as Defense: How Public Education Changed During the Cold War”

Anna Gustafson

North Atlanta High School, Atlanta Public Schools

Danielle Costarides, Directing Teacher

Best in Class IV Political Science

“The Effect of Religion and Politics on the Advancement of Women

To Executive Level Positions in the Corporate World in

Developed and Developing Countries”

Maitreyi Bandlamudi

North Cobb High School, Cobb County Schools

Dr. Pamela Roach, Directing Teacher

Best in Class IV Sociology/Social Psychology

“School Days: Is Muscogee County School District Successfully

Preparing Its Students for Success After High School?”

De’Llex’xus Pugh

Early College Academy of Columbus, Muscogee County Schools

Tekeshia Hill, Directing Teacher