



Georgia Council for the Social Studies
STATE SOCIAL STUDIES FAIR
Saturday, May 2, 2020
8 AM-approximately 1:30 PM
Eddie J. White Middle Academy
11808 Panhandle Road
Hampton, GA 30228

Congratulations on having your project chosen as one of the best projects at your regional fair!

The Georgia Council for the Social Studies and our sponsors are proud of your hard work and look forward to seeing you in Hampton on May 2. This is the only notice you will receive about the specifics of the fair, so make sure your teachers and parents see this notice. It will also be posted on the www.gcss.net website.

DO THIS BEFORE YOU LEAVE THE REGIONAL FAIR TODAY:

Be sure your Regional Director has a complete and accurate two-page entry form for your project (found at the *Social Studies Fair* link at www.gcss.net). Fair organizers use all the information for notifications and awards, so do not leave any blanks. The information on the first page should be **completed using the computer keyboard**, and your parent/guardian should complete the second page by hand with t-shirt size and permission to publish your photo/information should you win a top award, confirming the spelling of your name by printing it, and signing with the signature he/she uses for official school documents.

There should be a separate (page two) parent-completed media permission/t-shirt form attached for each student who worked on the project. Teachers, administrators, secretaries, and others should not sign for parents.

The teacher's school address and email address are used to track down any missing information needed by the state fair director to prepare awards or to clear up discrepancies in information on various forms re: correct spellings of student, teacher, or project names or discipline categories. Only one t-shirt is ordered per participant, based on the entry form information, so please be accurate to avoid disappointment on fair day.

[Your Regional Director will register you for the state fair using complete entry forms discussed above.](#)

SCHEDULE AND LODGING:

- Set-up will begin at 8 AM, with an opening ceremony at 9 AM. If you unload your project at the curb, please remind the driver to remove the vehicle from the curb immediately to allow others to do the same.
- Check in at the table in the lobby and receive your table number. Don't forget to provide your own extension cords, power strips, and other technology needs.
- Visitors accompanying you will not be allowed in the display area following the opening ceremony. Student participants will wait in an area together for interviews, photos, and t-shirt distribution. Once each participant has completed these activities, he/she will be released from the display area until judging teams have completed their work.
- Participants should return to the display area at the public viewing time on the schedule (schedule to be posted at www.gcss.net), and judges will make their best efforts to be finished by that time. Please bring something to read or occupy your time outside of the judging area after you are released from your interview or plan to spend time with your family exploring the Hampton area until the scheduled time for public viewing. It is not known at the writing of this document if seating will be available for waiting parents/chaperones, so bringing folding chairs from home may be a good idea.
- Lodging should be available in the McDonough, GA, area near I-75.

ADDITIONAL INFO: Additional prizes may be given in each discipline by *New Georgia Encyclopedia*, two archaeology organizations, the Georgia Council on Economic Education, and other organizations interested in student growth in these areas. If you have not explored and used the resources of the *New Georgia Encyclopedia*, you may want to search www.georgiaencyclopedia.org for information to incorporate into your research or display. Remember to include NGE in your bibliography. If you would like information pertaining to the archaeology awards, check out the link on the Social Studies Fair page of the GCSS website at www.gcss.net. **There will be awards for the most intriguing primary source, the best use of technology, and the best project about the impact or management of a STEM-related development/issue.**