



GOOSE CREEK

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Goose Creek CISD students prepare to compete at National History Day on the campus of the University of Maryland. Pictured are (front, l to r) Danielle Garcia, Bailey Odom, Mallory Jackson, Priscilla Garcia, (back, l to r) Matthew Broussard, Dylan Gill, Clayton Maddie, Divya Singh, Logan Fanning, Kyleigh Fanning and Bailey Beck. Not pictured is Benjamin Warford-Johnson.

Goose Creek CISD Wins at National History Day

They did it again! For more than 24 years, students from Goose Creek CISD have represented Texas well at the National History Day contest in College Park, Maryland, and this year was no exception. Thirteen students placed first or second at the regional competition and at Texas History Day in Austin, earning the privilege of competing at the national contest June 14 – 18, where they won several awards.

Matthew Broussard, a junior at IMPACT Early College High School, under the direction of Steve Koester, captured first place in the nation for the fourth year in the Senior Individual Performance category with “Resisting the Reins of Power: Washington at His Finest in the Temple of Virtue.” Broussard also received the George Washington Leadership in History special award. He was one of 11 students from Texas who received a top award. Broussard won first place for Individual Performance at National History Day in 2011, 2013, 2014 and again this year.

The team of Danielle Garcia and Priscilla Garcia from Cedar Bayou, under the direction of Carrie Kinnaman, took fifth place with Junior Group Exhibit “Nellie Bly – Fearless Reporter.” They received a special award as one of the Outstanding Entries for Texas.

Tenth place for Senior Historical Paper went to Astrid Guevara from Ross S. Sterling High School, under the direction of Stephanie Cottle and Arlene Hastings-Hill, for “The Legacy of a Feminist in the Hispanic Labor Movement.” She received the Latino-American History award.

Bailey Beck, Mallory Jackson, Bailey Odom, Clayton Maddie and Dylan Gill from Ross S. Sterling High also represented the district and state with Senior Group Exhibit “Leading the Way – One Heartbeat at a Time.” The team was under the direction of Stephanie Cottle, Amanda Phillips and Molly Fridley. Benjamin Warford-Johnston of Gentry Junior School, coached by Toni Rosenbaum, presented Junior Historical Paper “Leading the Highest Court to Prominence: The Legacy of Chief Justice John Marshall.” Divya Singh from IMPACT Early College High School, under the direction of Ilijia Milovanic, competed in the Senior Individual Documentary division with “Legacy of Winston

IMPACT junior wins fourth national title

Portraying George Washington likely would be a huge mistake at the Kenneth E. Behring National History Day competition. But portraying John Adams, who was a tad jealous – albeit supportive – of George Washington earned IMPACT Early College High School senior Matthew Broussard his fourth first place award in the prestigious annual competition in Washington, DC. [Read more...](#)



MATTHEW BROUSSARD

“All the students from Goose Creek did a fantastic job of representing our district and our state at National History Day,” said Faith Longorio, social studies coordinator. “They worked so hard, and I am exceptionally proud of these outstanding young people who have dedicated so much of their free time and energy to their research, projects and this competition. It was my absolute pleasure to spend the week with them and get to know more about these wonderful students.”

The Texas State Historical Association sponsors the National History Day program in Texas in cooperation with the University of Texas at Austin. According to Stephen Cure, director of Education for the Texas State Historical Association, nearly sixty thousand students across Texas competed at the local level in 2015 to earn the opportunity to represent Texas at the contest, and nearly 3,000 students from 50 states, two territories, the District of Columbia and several foreign countries competed at the national level.

“The dedication to this program shown by the students, their parents and their sponsors is remarkable,” said Randal O’Brien, superintendent of Goose Creek CISD. “We are proud of them for representing our district as well as our state at National History Day, and we know that this learning experience will help them in

Churchill,” and Kyleigh Fanning and Logan Fanning of Sterling, directed by Donna Britt and Michael Fanning, competed in the Senior Group Documentary category with “The Critical Path – From Nazi to NASA.”

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