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### **State National History Day**

Gallatin Gateway School, MT - National History Day (NHD) is a highly regarded academic program for elementary and secondary school students. Each year, more than half a million students, encouraged by thousands of teachers nationwide, participate in the NHD contest. Students choose historical topics related to a theme and conduct extensive primary and secondary research through libraries, archives, museums, oral history interviews and historic sites. After analyzing and interpreting their sources and drawing conclusions about their topics' significance in history, students present their work in original papers, websites, exhibits, performances and documentaries.

GGS's top state finalists include:

- Emi Wilson – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Junior Paper
- Alex Bright and Preston Flichman – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Junior Group Performance
- Sarada Leavitt – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Junior Paper

Competitors shared their finished products at the state competition, which was held on March 28 at Sacajawea Middle School in Bozeman, MT. The contestants were evaluated by professional historians and educators for a chance at achieving state titles. The top finalist in each category will travel to the University of Maryland at College Park, for a chance to compete in the Kenneth E. Behring National Contest this June.

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