**NHD in 18 Classes**

**The 2016 theme:** Exploration, Encounter and Exchange, [www.nhd.org](http://www.nhd.org) or go to [www.educatingexcellence.com](http://www.educatingexcellence.com) for updates

**Goals:**

1. To learn **deeply** about a historical topic and **persuade** others that your topic had short-term and long-term IMPACTS
   1. Make your learning **personal** – can you connect your topic to local, state, or national issues?
   2. Make your learning **REAL** – can you interview people or visit places that relate to your topic?
2. To have the opportunity to compete and potentially travel
   1. State Competition – probably April 2nd at SMS
   2. National Competition – June 12th – 16th @ the University of Maryland

**General Timeline:** meetings will happen on Wednesday until 4:30 pm

**9/9 –** Introduction to NHD and Topic Selection

**9/16 –** Paper management, research skills, note taking, and tracking sources for bibliography

**9/23 –** Narrowing a topic

**9/30** – Final topic selection and “fact store”

**NO MEETING 10/7 – Staff Meeting**

**10/14 –** Thesis statements: the FOUNDATION of NHD Projects

**10/21 –** Thesis Statements continued… check on research (should have 10 by this time, 7 secondary and 3 primary)

**10/28 –** Halfway there… evaluate and revises thesis

**NO MEETING 11/4 – Staff Meeting**

**11/11 –** Historical Context and Alternative Perspectives

**11/18 –** Charting 50 Facts … check on research (should have 20 by this time)

**NO MEETING 11/25 – Eat some turkey ☺**

**12/2 –** Project selection, process paper, and annotated bibliographies

**12/9 –** Turning Information into Outlines and Storyboards

**12/16 –** How are we doing? Check-up time!

**WINTER BREAK**

**NO MEETING 1/6 – Staff Meeting**

**1/13 –** Work time to complete projects

**1/20 –** Work time plus conferences with the teacher and peers

**1/27 –** Rough drafts due

**NO MEETING 2/3 – Staff Meeting**

**2/17 –** Work time to complete revisions and conference

**2/24 –** Final Projects due: present to NHD Club over refreshments

\*\*\* ENTER ALL PROJECTS INTO THE STATE COMPETITION \*\*\*

**3/2 -** Potential Parent Night in the evening… ?

**4/2 – STATE COMPETITION AT SMS**