



2018–19 Florida History Day
“Triumph and Tragedy in History”

TEACHER OF MERIT AWARD

AWARD CRITERIA

To be eligible for the Teacher of Merit Award, a teacher must be a Florida History Day participant with at least three years of experience. The winner will receive a \$250 prize, sponsored by Flagler College Tallahassee.

Interested educators must submit an application form, a narrative about how they fulfill the criteria below (1–3 pages), a personal resume (1–2 pages), and three letters of support by individuals who can give examples of excellence in history teaching.

Evaluation criteria for the state and national awards are presented below.

1. Development and use of creative teaching methods that interest students in history and help them to make exciting discoveries about the past.

Examples include:

- active learning projects within and outside the classroom, such as mock debates between historical characters or oral history projects within the community;
- innovative use of primary historical source material in the classroom;
- use of communication technology in history research and classroom learning;
- practice of teaching methods that link history to students' broader interests—for example, through interdisciplinary approaches to history topics or the development of projects that link history to current events and debates; and
- use of teaching methods that build a range of skills in students as they study history.

2. Exemplary commitment to helping students develop their interest in history and recognizing their achievements.

Examples include:

- exemplary support and guidance for students working on History Day projects;
- helping students showcase their history projects within the community and/or publish their material;
- overall commitment to the intellectual development of individual students; and
- encouragement of students to use their understanding of history to become engaged, informed citizens in their community and beyond.

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2019 TEACHER OF MERIT APPLICATION

Name _____

County _____

School name _____

School address _____

Work and home phone _____

FAX number _____

Email _____

Grade(s) that you teach _____

Subject(s) that you teach _____

How long have you participated in History Day? _____

Include with this form

- A narrative about how you meet the evaluation criteria (1–3 pages)
- Personal resume (1–2 pages)
- Three letters of support by individuals who can give examples of excellence in history teaching

I verify that the information provided above is correct _____

- The winner will be announced at the Florida History Day Awards Ceremony on May 7, 2019, in Tallahassee.
- The recipient will receive a \$250 prize, sponsored by Flagler College Tallahassee.

To be considered, mail or fax the nomination materials by March 8, 2019, to:

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