

National History Day Club Constitution

I. Name of the Club: National History Day Club

II. The Purpose of the Club

The intents of **National History Day (NHD) Club** are multifaceted:

- 1) To promote and encourage students to engage in historical research
- 2) To cultivate and foster critical thinking skills and to learn how to conduct primary and secondary historical research
- 3) To create a unique and thorough product based upon a yearly theme that will challenge a student's/team's ability to investigate a topic and draw conclusions
- 4) To compete and represent Ardrey Kell High School at the regional, state, and national affiliate levels for the National History Day Competition

III. Officer Positions

- President:
 - Manages and oversees club meetings, activities, workshops, and competitions
 - Communicates to club members of meetings and updates via email, remind101, etc.
 - Delegates project supervision as they see fit
 - Delegates other officer responsibilities as they see fit
- Vice President:
 - Fulfills the responsibilities of the President when they are not present
 - Maintains and helps President coordinate communications
 - Assists in project supervision
- Secretary:
 - Maintains and organizes club attendance, potential dues
 - Writes minutes and chronicles/documents club activities
- ICC Representative:
 - Represents National History Day Club at the Inter-club Council
 - Responsible for maintaining ICC requirements and communicating with the other officers the necessary information

IV. Elections

Elections will be held at the final meeting of the school year. Before voting, there will be an application process to filter through potential officers. Following this process, there will be a ballot by popular vote of the club members.

All potential NHD Club Officers must adhere to the following prerequisites:

- (For President) Must have competed at the NHD Contest **at least once**
- (All) Must pledge to compete at the NHD Contest the year of their office
- (All) Must fill out the NHD Club Officer Application form before the deadline

V. Membership

Students wishing to be a part of NHD Club must attend the majority of club meetings, demonstrate progress on their NHD projects, participate in research/theme workshops, and attend the NHD Contest beginning at the regional level.

VI. Meetings

The President will announce the schedule at the beginning of the school term.

VII. Amendments

Amendments to the club constitution can be made by two-thirds majority vote, or by unanimous agreement among officer members and the club advisor.