

2024 State Qualifiers

Note: Student in first and second place of each category are the Ohio Affiliate National Qualifiers! More information will be sent to those students via email.

Junior Group Documentary

1st Place

Students: Hussein Alzoubi, Kyle Vaziri

Project Title: Nitrous Oxide: Extracting the Pain While Waking Up Advancements in Anesthesia

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

2nd Place

Students: Nicholas Jacques, Samuel Moyer

Project Title: The Rite of Spring: Stravinsky's New Dynasty of Maximalism

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Jesse Gross

3rd Place

Students: Nicolena Sandor, Jaidyn Woods, Allison Sandor

Project Title: Birmingham's Breaking Point

School: Saint Rose Catholic School

Teacher: Anthony Catale

Honorable Mention

Students: Hannah Hatcher, Calesse Pitts, Zelwyn Ward

Project Title: The CROWN Act

School: Spencer Center for Gifted and Exceptional Students

Teacher: Steven Lewis

Senior Group Documentary

1st Place

Students: Jonah Paponetti, David Rhodes

Project Title: Miles Davis and the Transformation of American Music

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

2nd Place

Students: Daniel Lee, Hayyan Qureshi

Project Title: The Miracle Drug: Penicillin's Global Medical Revolution

School: Sylvania Northview High School

Teacher: Keevan Hazel







Students: Joshua Chen, Joshua Gordon

Project Title: Norman Borlaug and the Green Revolution: How One Man Sowed the Seeds of a Global

Turning Point in Agriculture **School**: St. Ignatius High School

Teacher: Joseph Ptak

Honorable Mention

Students: Brooke Gemechu, Areesha Nouman, Siya Lakireddy, Aanya Lakireddy

Project Title: Shaping a "New Clear" Vision: How the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Sparked a Turning

Point in Global Cooperation
School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

Junior Group Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Sammy Nemr, Nikhil Yalavarthy, Reeve Vincent

Project Title: A Transition to Democracy: South Africa's Triumph Over Apartheid

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Todd P Boyer, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Natalie Shipman, Audrey Groger **Project Title**: *The Fight to Find the Polio Vaccine*

School: Genoa Middle School

Teacher: Deanna McDaniel, Lori Howland

3rd Place

Students: Olivia Panciu, Sophia Panciu

Project Title: From Ohio to the Skies: Orville and Wilbur Wright's Pioneering Journey in Aviation

School: Menlo Park Academy

Teacher: Jesse Gross

Honorable Mention

Students: Cameron Cooper, Amarie Tull, Anna Flaherty **Project Title**: *Sally Ride*: *First American Woman in Space*

School: Genoa Middle School

Teacher: Deanna McDaniel, Leslie Thompson







Senior Group Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Erin Findley, Marisa Macioce **Project Title**: From Flames to Restoration

School: Huron High School **Teacher**: John Harkelroad

2nd Place

Students: Jacob Clellen, Robert Weinberg, Bernat Corcelles

Project Title: Highway Revolution: The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

3rd Place

Students: Liliana Mack, Miryam Reyes

Project Title: Loving v. Virginia: The Fight for Interracial Marriage

School: Whetstone High School

Teacher: Krista Buckley, Kathy Arnold

Honorable Mention

Students: Robert Campbell, Adam Zuccarell, Ethan Pendergraff

Project Title: Now and Then: The Beatles Impact on Music and Culture

School: Toledo Technology Academy of Engineering

Teacher: Andrew Brandt

Junior Group Performance

1st Place

Students: Corrado Naples, Yianni Gountis, Nathan Thomas

Project Title: A Geothermal Gem: How Yellowstone Ignited the Way for America's National Parks

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

2nd Place

Students: Marcella Morris, Hannah Tedrow **Project Title**: "When the Sun Came to Earth" **School**: Pike Delta York Middle School

Teacher: Jane Foor







Students: Nicola Clever, Gabriella Nakanwagi, Hope Mendoza, Faith Mendoza, Janelle Gyampoh

Project Title: The Yellow Fever Commission: A Turning Point in Medical History

School: Independent Entry

Teacher: Elisa Clever

Honorable Mention

Students: Samuel Chen, Jake Zhang, Rockam Parrino, Caleb Alicea

Project Title: Revoking the Pinball Ban: Flipping Opinions About Gambling and Gaming

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

Senior Group Performance

1st Place

Students: Elizabeth Liu, Radha Pareek

Project Title: The Epitome of Counterintelligence and Counterespionage Through Cooperation: The

Farewell Dossier

School: Beachwood High School

Teacher: John Perse

2nd Place

Students: Charles Griest, Loukas White, Luca Arnoldi, Isaac Hren **Project Title**: Kent State Tragedy: A Turning Point in Anti-War Protests

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

3rd Place

Students: Myles Hills, Sarah Holbrook, Leah Reymann

Project Title: Loving v. Virginia: A Story of Trials and Triumph

School: Shaker Heights High School **Teacher**: Sarah Davis, Joseph Konopinski

Honorable Mention

Students: Liam Close, Corinne Blake

Project Title: Silent to Talkies: How Sound Impacted the Film Industry

School: Toledo Technology Academy of Engineering

Teacher: Andrew Brandt







Junior Group Website

1st Place

Students: Rhea Kumar, Ayah Dinary, Leen Salem

Project Title: Shattered Trust: Unveiling the Pivotal Watergate Scandal

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

2nd Place

Students: Sarah Schnadower, Ella Crutcher

Project Title: Frida Kahlo: One of the Most Influential Artists Changes History

School: Walnut Hills High School

Teacher: Michael Cabral

3rd Place

Students: Saanvi Chari, Maliha Nadkarni

Project Title: From Hough to Stokes: How a Racial Riot Turned Cleveland Leadership on a Path Toward

Diversity

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

Honorable Mention

Students: Rodrigo Niebla Urueta, Danyaal Khan

Project Title: Marguis de Lafayette: Fighting in the Battle of Yorktown

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

Senior Group Website

1st Place

Students: Abby Hahnenberg, Kelsey Rogers

Project Title: Unlocking the Mind: How the Publication of Patricia Goldman-Rakic's Scientific Research

Marked a Turning Point in Brain Science School: Shaker Heights High School Teacher: Joseph Konopinski, Sarah Davis

2nd Place

Students: Scarlet Price, Emma Rush

Project Title: Criminal of Chastity: Eisenstadt v. Baird on Redefining Privacy and Bodily Autonomy

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee







Students: Vishista Nayak, Annabelle Kamerman

Project Title: The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire - A Tragic Event that was a Turning Point in American

Labor Laws.

School: Mayfield High School **Teacher**: Michael Hughes

Honorable Mention

Students: Audrianna Honda, Ayat Jaffar, Valeria Kislyansky, Leen Akras **Project Title**: *The Battle of Midway Miracle*: *Turning the Tide in the Pacific*

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

Junior Individual Documentary

1st Place

Students: John Gordon

Project Title: Burn on Big River: The Cleveland Blaze that Sparked an Environmental Revolution

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

2nd Place

Students: Joshua Thomas

Project Title: From Despair to Hope: The Discovery of Insulin that Changed the World

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

3rd Place

Students: Sami Elliott

Project Title: Billie Jean King: The Battle for Equality On and Off the Court

School: Bishop Flaget School **Teacher**: Dana Wiseman

Honorable Mention

Students: Chrysanthi Constantinou

Project Title: 50 Years of Unresolved Pain: The 1974 Invasion that Scarred Cyprus and Scattered its

People

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Todd P Boyer, Joe Parrino







Senior Individual Documentary

1st Place

Students: William Stoepfel

Project Title: "It Was Just Cold Blooded Murder, Nothing Else": Bloody Sunday, A Turning Point for

Northern Ireland

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee

2nd Place

Students: Qiwen Wu

Project Title: Black Hawk Down: A Battle that Changed US Peace Intervention Within African Nations

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

3rd Place

Students: Mircea Butnariu

Project Title: Munich 1972: The Dawn of Broadcasted Terrorism

School: Columbus Academy **Teacher**: Tim Morford

Honorable Mention
Students: Isabel Siegel

Project Title: Female Directors in Hollywood: From Silent to Silenced

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Sarah Davis

Junior Individual Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Tommy McFarland

Project Title: Martin Luther King Jr.: The Dream Marches On...

School: St. Barnabas School **Teacher**: Judith Darus

2nd Place

Students: Stella Eadie

Project Title: A Turning Point with Supreme Impact: How Mendez v. Westminster led to Brown v. Board

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer







Students: Ruthie Cannon

Project Title: Fighting Shirley; "Unbossed and Unbought"

School: Dominion Middle School

Teacher: Lauren Noble

Honorable Mention
Students: Lula Fuhr

Project Title: The Manhattan Project: Unveiling the Power of an Atom

School: Rock Hill Middle School

Teacher: Rhonda Hacker

Senior Individual Exhibit

1st Place

Students: Grace Rogers

Project Title: Shedding Light on Rural America: Rural Electrification Administration

School: Anderson High School **Teacher**: Independent Entry

2nd Place

Students: Lara Sesenoglu-Laird

Project Title: Fission to Fallout: How the Atomic Bomb Changed the World

School: Shaker Heights High School

Teacher: Joseph Konopinski

3rd Place

Students: Olive Medina

Project Title: Anesthetics Advancer: William T.G. Morton's Surgery and Success

School: Toledo Early College **Teacher**: Zachary Shepler

Honorable Mention

Students: Lyla McFadden

Project Title: WWII Women's Fashion **School**: Whetstone High School **Teacher**: Krista Buckley, Kathy Arnold







Junior Individual Performance

1st Place

Students: Suryan Jain

Project Title: From Trinkets To Planes: How Charles Martin Hall Freed Aluminum And Alloyed America

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

2nd Place

Students: CJ Hanhauser

Project Title: J. Robert Oppenheimer and The Manhattan Project.

School: St. Brendan School **Teacher**: Frank O'Grady

Senior Individual Performance

1st Place

Students: Grace Cremeans

Project Title: The Wonderful Journey to Oz

School: River Valley High School

Teacher: Brent Smith

2nd Place

Students: Kaidyn Watson

Project Title: The Makers of Change; the History of the 19th Amendment and women's suffrage

movements

School: GlenOak High School **Teacher**: Angela Wagner

3rd Place

Students: Chesney Carter

Project Title: Living in the material world consumerism in the 1980's in defense of the valley girl

School: Maysville High School

Teacher: Lance Mcgee

Honorable Mention

Students: Trevor Swan

Project Title: 95 Sparks to a Reformation

School: Toledo Early College **Teacher**: Mona Al-Hayani







Junior Individual Website

1st Place

Students: Alaina Appleman

Project Title: Airline Deregulation Act of 1978 and Its Impact on Commercial Aviation

School: St. Francis de Sales **Teacher**: Stacey Smith

2nd Place

Students: John Mele

Project Title: Manhattan Project **School**: Notre Dame Elementary School

Teacher: Victoria Thompson

3rd Place

Students: Alina Kojima

Project Title: The Endangered Species Act of 1973

School: Spencer Center for Gifted and Exceptional Students

Teacher: Steven Lewis

Honorable Mention

Students: Rawlings Kanjo

Project Title: Crossroads of Change: the Great Migration as a Turning Point

School: Genoa Middle School

Teacher: Deanna McDaniel, Leslie Thompson

Senior Individual Website

1st Place

Students: Michael Heard III

Project Title: Hip Hop Making Strides Toward Equality: How Urban Youth Launched A Global

Phenomenon, Altered the Course of African American History

School: Toledo Early College **Teacher**: Mona Al-Hayani

2nd Place

Students: Addien Lewis

Project Title: The Forgotten Child: The Indian Child Welfare Act as a Turning Point in US History

School: Western Reserve Academy

Teacher: Sarah Horgan







Students: Abigail Zhao

Project Title: Driving Out: A Driving Force in America's Sinophobia

School: Columbus Academy

Teacher: Tim Morford

Honorable Mention
Students: Kylie Lykins

Project Title: Tuning In or Tuning Out? Exploring the Turning Point of Parental Advisory on Music

Consumption and Regulation in America

School: Toledo Early College **Teacher**: Mona Al-Hayani

Junior Paper

1st Place

Students: Kritika Chahar

Project Title: MP3: The Streaming Format That Turned Up Shareability and Piracy

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Todd P Boyer, Joe Parrino

2nd Place

Students: Olivia Zhou

Project Title: Brown vs. Board of Education: A Major Victory for the Civil Rights Movement and a Catalyst

for Equality in Education
School: Mason Middle School

Teacher: Erin White

3rd Place

Students: Shriya Iyer

Project Title: A Surgeon for Soldiers and Civilians: How George Crile Turned Bloodshed into Life-Saving

Innovations

School: Birchwood School of Hawken **Teacher**: Joe Parrino, Todd P Boyer

Honorable Mention

Students: Samuel Manning

Project Title: The Little Steel Strike of 1937: Short Term Defeat Leads to Long Term Victory for Labor

School: Holy Family School **Teacher**: Caroline Mulhall







Senior Paper

1st Place

Students: Lance Hulme

Project Title: Parting the White Cloud of Aotearoa: How the Native Land Acts were a turning point in

Maori Chieftain power and land ownership in colonial New Zealand.

School: Columbus Academy **Teacher**: Tim Morford

2nd Place

Students: Omar Elbadawy

Project Title: The August 1991 Coup: A Turning Point in the Dissolution of the Soviet Union

School: Hawken Upper School

Teacher: Kenneth Clark

3rd Place

Students: Abby Xiao

Project Title: The Grave Diggers of Spirituality: How Maoist Suppression Led to the Renewal of

Christianity in China

School: Columbus Academy **Teacher**: Tim Morford

Honorable Mention

Students: Samson Gurgiolo

Project Title: Napoleon's Invasion of Russia: How the Greatest Military Disaster of the 19th Century

Forever Altered Europe
School: Independent Entry
Teacher: Nancy Gurgiolo



