



## 2026 Region 4 State Qualifiers

### Junior Group Documentary Second Place

**Students:** Jaidyn Woods, Madison Gonzalez, Allison Sandor  
**Project Title:** Title IX: Equal Access, Equal Opportunity  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Garrett Mulrooney

### First Place

**Students:** Anna Ulicney, Bynn Biddlestone, Ian McKenna  
**Project:** The New Deal  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Garrett Mulrooney

### Senior Group Documentary First Place

**Students:** Samuel Manning, Giorgio Restaino, Rex Papa, Owen Olmi  
**Project:** The Easter Rising: A Failed Revolution Leads to a Long-Term Victory  
**School:** Ursuline High School  
**Teacher:** Steven Hiner

### Junior Group Exhibit Honorable Mention

**Students:** Addison Richey, Aihua Magsomboon, Lucy Merrill  
**Project:** Pearl Harbor  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Gina Leeworthy

### Honorable Mention

**Students:** Gwyn Payich, Lucia Williams, Ariana Centrella  
**Project:** The Great Depression: A Time Period Caused by the Stock Market Crash and Ended by the Creation of the New Deal  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Gina Leeworthy

### Third Place

**Students:** Lillian Dambrogio, Mallory Berlon, Myka Wilson  
**Project:** Emmett Till: The Spark to the Civil Rights Movement  
**School:** Holy Family School  
**Teacher:** Melanie Jones



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### **Second Place**

**Students:** Zachary Morgan, Jimmy Van Valien  
**Project:** The Wright Brothers and How Their Aeroplane Changed The World  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Gina Leeworthy

### **First Place**

**Students:** Dan Reardon, Grace Reardon, Lucy Reardon  
**Project:** Backhanding Barriers: How Althea Gibson Broke the Color Barrier  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Garrett Mulrooney

### **Senior Group Exhibit Third Place**

**Students:** Luke Wack, Jon Miller  
**Project:** I Sustain The Wings  
**School:** Hubbard High School  
**Teacher:** Ross Stoffer

### **Second Place**

**Students:** Ella Hermensky Esmee Femia-Smith Isabella Ross  
**Project:** The Festival That Reformed The Music Industry: The Lilith Fair  
**School:** Hubbard High School  
**Teacher:** Deb Wack

### **First Place**

**Students:** Jerry Jiang, Zixing Zhou, Arthur Zhao  
**Project:** From Atomic Fear to Peaceful Power: How a Revolutionary Nuclear Vision Triggered Worldwide Reaction and Lasting Reform  
**School:** Hawken Upper School  
**Teacher:** Mati Barker

### **Junior Group Website Second Place**

**Students:** Thomas Van Valien, Tanner Payich, Roman Budrovici  
**Project:** Theodore Roosevelt: The Progressive Era  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Garrett Mulrooney





### **First Place**

**Students:** Julian Zhybak, Jackson Powell, Jossiel Martinez

**Project:** How the Ku Klux Klan's Presence and Actions in the 1960s Created Fear and Hatred, and How That Fear and Hatred Motivated People to Stand Up Against Racism

**School:** St Rose Catholic School

**Teacher:** Garrett Mulrooney

### **Senior Group Website**

#### **First Place**

**Students:** Leen Akras, Leanne Zheng, Ayat Jaffar, Linchang Zhao

**Project:** Trail of Broken Treaties: Revolution on the Road, Reaction in Washington, Reform in Native Policy

**School:** Hawken Upper School

**Teacher:** Mati Barker

### **Junior Individual Documentary**

#### **First Place**

**Students:** Gwyneth Boadu

**Project:** Echoes Reform

**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School

**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

### **Junior Individual Exhibit**

#### **Honorable Mention**

**Students:** Julia Finomore

**Project:** We Can Sew It!

**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School

**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

#### **Honorable Mention**

**Students:** Mary Gibson

**Project:** Rights Written in Ink: The 19th Amendment

**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School

**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

#### **Honorable Mention**

**Students:** Mallory Thiessen

**Project:** A Shot at Safety: COVID-19 vaccine

**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School

**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson



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### **Honorable Mention**

**Students:** Robby Whiting  
**Project:** Contacts- Seeing The Future  
**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School  
**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

### **Third Place**

**Students:** Claire Marsh  
**Project:** A Change of Heart  
**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School  
**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

### **Second Place**

**Students:** Elliana Majors  
**Project:** History of Anesthesia  
**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School  
**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

### **First Place**

**Students:** Liam Sharlock  
**Project:** Forged in Steel: Youngstown Revolution, Reaction, Reform  
**School:** St Rose Catholic School  
**Teacher:** Gina Leeworthy

### **Senior Individual Exhibit Second Place**

**Students:** Emma Toppetta  
**Project:** Cabaret: Politics in Art  
**School:** Hubbard High School  
**Teacher:** Ross Stoffer

### **First Place**

**Students:** Lillian Atkinson  
**Project:** Under Investigation...Josephine Baker  
**School:** Hubbard High School  
**Teacher:** Deb Wack



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**Senior Individual Performance  
First Place**

**Students:** Liesse Ihrwe  
**Project:** Ndabaga's Story  
**School:** Ursuline High School  
**Teacher:** Steven Hiner

**Junior Individual Website  
Third Place**

**Students:** Finn Hummer  
**Project:** The Civil Rights Act of 1964  
**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School  
**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

**Second Place**

**Students:** Paxton Harte  
**Project:** The Wilderness Act  
**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School  
**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

**First Place**

**Students:** Nick Velotta  
**Project:** Northeast Ohio's Poisoned Past  
**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School  
**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

**Senior Individual Website  
Third Place**

**Students:** Annika Curnalia  
**Project:** The Flapper Girls  
**School:** Hubbard High School  
**Teacher:** Deb Wack

**Second Place**

**Students:** Nikhil Reidy  
**Project:** The 1970s Gas Crisis: Driving the Rise of Electric Cars  
**School:** Hawken Upper School  
**Teacher:** Mati Barker



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### **First Place**

**Students:** Calvin Lei

**Project:** The Race That Changed Racing: Tragedy and the Safety Revolution in Formula One

**School:** Hawken Upper School

**Teacher:** Mati Barker

### **Junior Papers**

#### **First Place**

**Students:** Beniamino Perrotta

**Project:** The Industrial Revolution as a Social Revolution: Did It Improve Living Standards or Deepen Inequality?

**School:** Holy Family School

**Teacher:** Melanie Jones

### **Second Place**

**Students:** Charlie Sandy

**Project:** Music: The Voice of Revolution

**School:** St Rose Catholic School

**Teacher:** Garrett Mulrooney

### **First Place**

**Students:** Abby Washburn

**Project:** The Equal Pay Act of 1963

**School:** Notre Dame Elementary School

**Teacher:** Victoria Thompson

### **Senior Papers**

#### **First Place**

**Students:** Omar Elbadawy

**Project:** Romania's Revolution of 1989: The Violent Path from Dictatorship to Reform

**School:** Hawken Upper School

**Teacher:** Mati Barker



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