

## *Virginia History Day Elementary Teacher Guide*

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### *“Teaching Historical Inquiry Skills Through National History Day”*

#### Strategies and Methods

- Teacher developed National History Day (NHD) lesson plans
  - Clear connection to standards
  - Integration of primary sources
  - Competitive stipend for writers
- Introductory educator workshops
  - Held w/ partner museums across the state
  - Hands-on, experiential activities
  - Resource share out
- Available via print + digitally
  - Shared via newsletters, website, and at all in-person museum run PDs
  - Integration into museum’s general education resource bank

#### Target Audience and Focus Topic

- Audience
  - Teachers, grades 4 – 12
  - Public, private, homeschool
  - Social Studies, Language Arts, Media Specialists, Admins
- Partners
  - Museums
  - State ed consortiums
- Project Completed!
  - 178 educators directly reached
  - 500+ digital clicks

