National History Day Requirements:

* Your topic must fall under United States history (not World History or a topic that did not occur in the U.S.)
* The topic must be at least 25 years old. For example, 9/11 is too recent of a topic.
* The topic must fall under the theme of taking a stand in history. Your thesis will show the connection that your topic has with the theme.
* Your topic should be a specific person or event.
* Keep in mind, the more recent your topic is, the more resources there usually are. If you choose a very old topic, it can be more difficult to locate primary sources.
* You may work individually or with a partner.
* A total of 15 sources must be gathered and cited in your Resource Set.
  + About 7 primary and 8 secondary
  + 2 of the 15 sources must be BOOKS or ebooks (Due by January 20th)
  + There should be a variety of types of sources: photos, laws, newspapers, magazines, articles, books, maps, etc.
* You will need to provide resources for the project.
  + Exhibits- trifold poster, or some other form of exhibit, paper, decorations, etc.
  + Websites- access to the internet/computer from outside of school is preferable, and you should be good with technology
  + Documentaries- access to the internet/computer is a MUST, along with some kind of movie making software (iMovie, Windows Movie Maker, etc.)
  + Performances- props and clothes need to be purchased/gathered
* It is a requirement that you participate in the school wide National History Day competition on February 22nd or 23rd
* Winners will go on to Aurora regional competition on March 18th. There are opportunities for prizes and scholarships. They will receive extra credit and time outside of class to continue work on the project.
* Winners from Regionals can go on to the state competition. And winners from the state competition can go on to the National competition in D.C.

IF YOU FAIL TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT YOU WILL FAIL THE QUARTER!