

BROWN V. BOARD AND CIVIL RIGHTS: A COMMEMORATION

CALL FOR STUDENT PROJECT PRESENTATIONS



The African American Program of the Senator John Heinz History Center invites high school students to present on a topic related to Brown v. Board of Education (1954) or the Civil Rights Act of 1964 at an upcoming program on July 2, 2024. Students are encouraged to connect one of the topics to current issues today in recognition of the 70th and 60th anniversaries of the decisions.

ELIGIBILITY

Students must fall in the range of a rising high school freshman to a recently graduated high school senior. Presentations should show how either Brown v. Board of Education (1954) or the Civil Rights Act of 1964 has impacted issues facing students and schools today (examples: busing, resegregation, school funding, overcrowding, etc.).

Students will receive a \$50 Visa gift card for their participation.

PROJECT DESIGN

Presentations can be completed as a poster, essay, poetry, or artwork. Each student will have an opportunity to introduce themselves and a summary of their project. Following introductions, there will be time for students to explain their presentation to attendees, answer questions, and provide more details on their respective topics.

FORMAT FOR POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

- Provide a summary of the topic, 200 words or less.
- Poster board dimensions are 36" high x 48" wide.
- Text should be at size 16 font minimum.

FORMAT FOR ARTWORK PRESENTATIONS:

- Provide the title of the artwork with the piece.
- Provide a description, 200 words or less.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Submit presentations to DaNia Childress at dchildress@heinzhistorycenter.org. Files should be attached via email in the following format, `FirstName_LastName_SubmissionType`. (ex: `John_Doe_Artwork`), and include a project description (200 words or less) within the body of the email.

Acceptance is ongoing until June 11. Students will be notified of acceptance within a week of their submission.

Final presentations must be submitted by June 18, 2024.

Please contact DaNia Childress at dchildress@heinzhistorycenter.org or 412-454-6395 for additional questions.

