Connecticut History Day  
2021 Torrington Regional Contest Results

Junior Division

Category: Junior Papers

First Place: The Day that will Always be in Our Hearts: The Miscommunication of Pearl Harbor  
School: Westside Middle School Academy  
Student: Nicole Evans

Second Place: A Sight for the Blind
School: Westside Middle School Academy  
Student: Mahatheer Rahman

Third Place: How Sesame Street Fought Racism through T.V.
School: Westside Middle School Academy  
Student: Julian Mobiglia

Category: Junior Group Documentary

First Place: The Terrific Telegraph: Connecting The Dots Through Communication
School: Har-Bur Middle School  
Students: Mackenzie Smith, Henry Lincoln, and Logan Evenski

Second Place: “The system wants you to occupy a jail cell, not a college dorm” - Raymond Santana  
School: Westside Middle School Academy  
Student: Aavonah Simpkins, Jalissa Osaorio, and Jessie-Ann Muller

Category: Junior Individual Documentary

First Place: The Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom: Hearing the Voices of the Civil Rights Movement
School: Memorial Middle School  
Student: Katherine Vongsouvanh

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Second Place: American School for the Deaf: The Key to Understanding Each Other
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Student: Camille Markus

Third Place: Disney Cartoons: Influencing Society with Creative Communication
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Student: Sam Wu

Category: Junior Group Website

First Place: Navajo Code Talkers: Speakers and Creators of the Unbreakable Code
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Aarush Lolla, Erickson Vazquez, and Luis Quiros

Second Place: The Miracle of 1897: Communication Through Song
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Connie Xie and Isabella Confortini

Category: Junior Individual Website

First Place: “I am Prepared to Die”: The Impact of Nelson Mandela’s Revolutionary Speech
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Student: Sia Reddy

Second Place: The Beneficial Flop - Apollo 13
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Student: Sara Faisal

Third Place: The Women Who Cracked the Code During WWII
School: Mazur Homeschool
Student: Lana Mazur

Category: Junior Group Exhibit

First Place: Sitting By The Fireside
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: John Gaudenzi and Jonathan Rodriguez

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Second Place: The Communication of Independence
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Student: Daniel Wiseman and Daniel Oliveira

Third Place: Sesame Street Does Not Shy Away From Difficult Topics With Children
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Makayla Conley and Heydi Lucero

Category: Junior Individual Exhibit

First Place: Mokusatsu: A Radioactive Mistranslation
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Student: Soleil Asano

Second Place: The Printing Press: Communication Led Reformation
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Student: Oliver Morrison

Third Place: Seneca Falls
School: Torrington Middle School
Student: Ava Griffith

Category: Junior Group Performance

First Place: Nina Simone: The Civil Rights Singer
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Mia Borrero and Victoria Flores

Category: Junior Individual Performance

First Place: The Language of the 1%
School: Mazur Homeschool
Student: Hailey Mazur
Senior Division

Category: Senior Papers

First Place: Doña Marina: Bridging Communication and Understanding Between the Spanish Conquistadors and the Mesoamerican People
School: Westminster School
Student: Alice Liu

Second Place: Peter Liang: Igniting Political Conversation in Asian American Communities
School: The Hotchkiss School
Student: Jason Shan

Third Place: Breaking News: How Communication has Changed American Politics
School: Lewis S. Mills High School
Student: Kaitlyn Bell

Category: Senior Group Documentary

First Place: Changing Christian Doctrine through Communication: Martin Luther and his 95 Theses
School: Lewis S. Mills High School
Students: Jack Rich and Joshua Driscoll

Category: Senior Individual Documentary

First Place: Two Sides to Every Story: The Impact of Uncle Tom's Cabin on Racial Issues in the United States
School: The Taft School
Student: Anishka Perera

Category: Senior Group Website

First Place: Air Jordan's Go Global
School: Torrington High School
Students: Raven Prendergast and Jay Jacobs
Category: Senior Individual Website

First Place: Communicating through Road Signs
School: Chairvolotti Homeschool
Student: Audrey Chairvolotti

Second Place: Mass Media and Propaganda
School: Torrington High School
Student: Zuleika Dota

Category: Senior Individual Exhibit

First Place: How They Did It: Communications Between Connecticut and the West Indies
School: Torrington High School
Student: Hollisa Liburd

Second Place: How Newspapers Discussed the Battle of the Bulge
School: Torrington High School
Student: Emma Hitchcock

Category: Senior Individual Performance

First Place: Communications in Colonial Connecticut
School: Torrington High School
Student: Wyatt Anderson