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### PGCPS STUDENTS TO COMPETE IN STATEWIDE MARYLAND HISTORY DAY COMPETITION

PGCPS students received top honors in the recent Prince George's County History Day competition and will now compete in the Maryland History Day state competition on April 30 at Montgomery College in Rockville. Approximately 100 students from the following schools participated in the local competition: Eleanor Roosevelt HS, Frederick Douglass HS, Northwestern HS, Benjamin Tasker MS, and Thomas Johnson MS, and will advance to the state level of competitions.

The PGCPS winners will compete with more than 250 students from across the state in the following categories: Research Paper (Individual), Individual Exhibit, Individual Documentary, Group Exhibit, and Group Documentary. Each category has a junior and senior division. The Maryland Humanities Council and Columbia Gas of Maryland sponsor the competition. This year's theme is *Communication in History – The Key to Understanding*.

Some of the winning projects from PGCPS students include: Arts of the Harlem Renaissance: Communication Among African-Americans (Individual Research Paper); Cracking the Code: Communication on the Underground Railroad (Individual Exhibit); The Pony Express: Communication Across the United States (Individual Documentary); The Phoenician Alphabet (Group Exhibit); and Hitler's Greatest Weapon (Group Documentary).

"Our students have shown a great capacity for understanding history and its impact on our lives," said Dr. André J. Hornsby, Chief Executive Officer for Prince George's County Public Schools. "I am proud of their hard work and pleased with the depth of understanding of history and communication that they have demonstrated through their projects."

(See attached list of Prince George's County History Day Winners)

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**RESEARCH PAPER (Individual only)**

**Junior Division**

Megan-Jenna Cortez  
John Moffitt

Benjamin Tasker MS  
Benjamin Tasker MS

**Senior Division**

Alexis Buchanan

Frederick Douglass HS

**INDIVIDUAL EXHIBIT**

**Junior Division**

Chi-Chi Ohiri  
Stephanie Rodrigues

Thomas Johnson MS  
Thomas Johnson MS

**Senior Division**

Lauren Creamer  
Brittany Dukes  
Dylan Kristy

Frederick Douglass HS  
Frederick Douglass HS  
Eleanor Roosevelt HS

**INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENTARY**

**Junior Division**

Alexandra Rigby

Benjamin Tasker MS

**Senior Division**

Emanuel Cummings

Frederick Douglass HS

**INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE**

**Senior Division**

James Tyler White

Frederick Douglass HS

**GROUP EXHIBIT**

**Junior Division**

Julia Cabrera, Sharee' Bryant,  
Sonya Osei, Rachel Ogunsalu

Thomas Johnson MS

Paola Flores, Juan Cortez,  
Yeimie Hernandez, Erika Velasquez

Thomas Johnson MS

**Senior Division**

Evelyn Jiminez, *Lorna Moul*  
Larry Noble, Alvin Cox

Frederick Douglass HS  
Frederick Douglass HS

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**GROUP DOCUMENTARY**

**Senior Division**

Patricia Diaz, Morgan Cooke,  
Stacey Williams

Frederick Douglass HS

Robyn Jackson, David Herrera-O,  
Alex Molina, Melisa Martinez

Northwestern HS

Siboney Morales,  
Chardenee Geiger

Frederick Douglass HS

Ivania Tevan, Ciara Saylor,  
David Merino

Northwestern HS

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