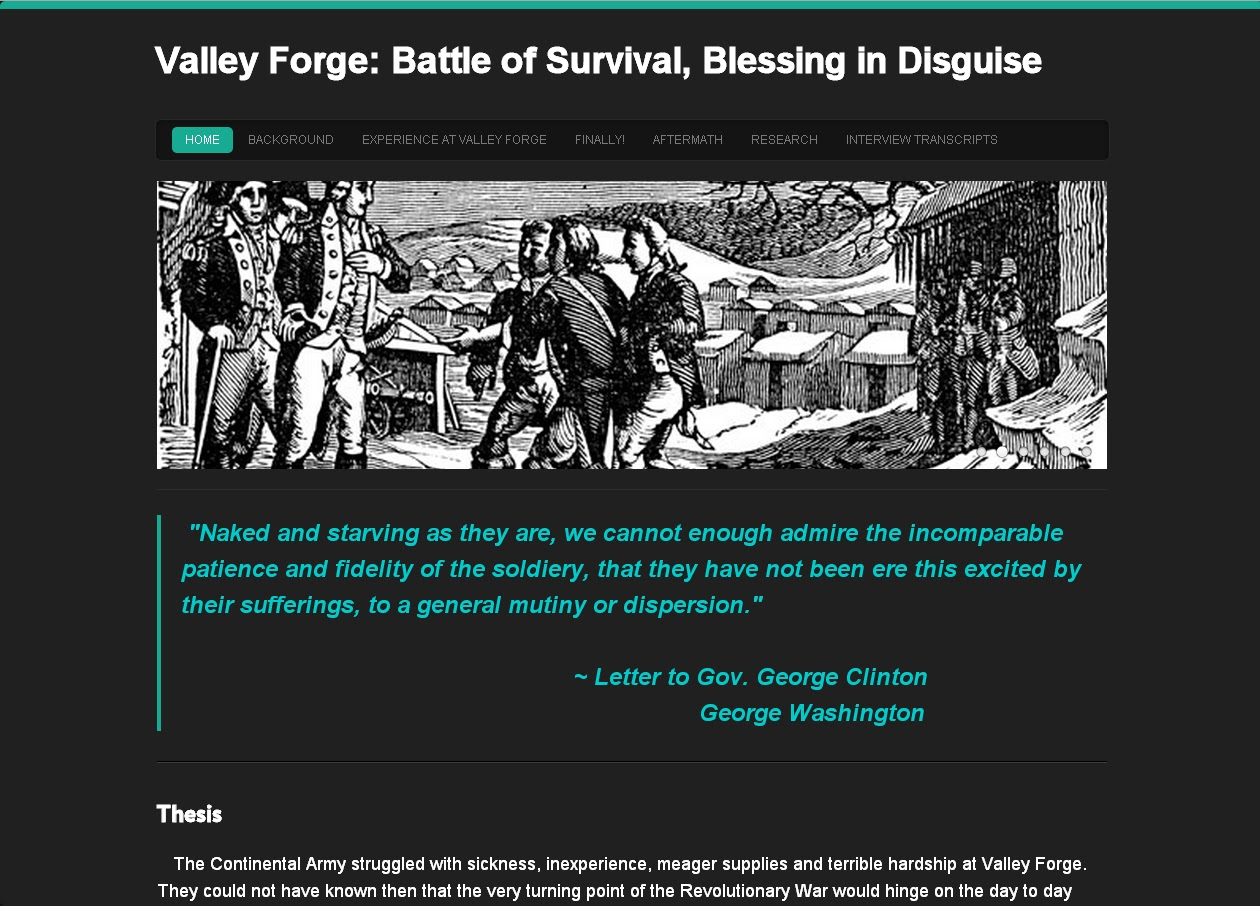
**The History Day Website**

The website category is the most interactive of all categories and is more than just a paper or exhibit put on the web. A website allows you to put a variety of information, evidence, and interactive elements in a format that is becoming increasingly popular. A website is a good choice for topics with a variety of illustrations, documents, media (music, video), and potential for interactive elements.

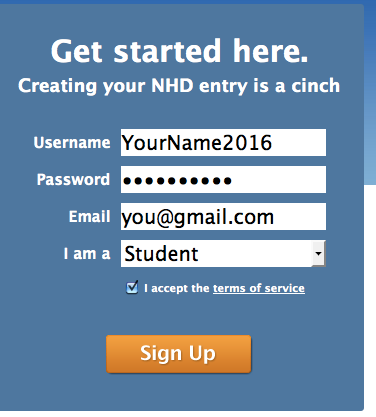


**Ideal for Students who:**

* enjoy working with computers and are interested in learning how to build a website.
* have access to a computer with a reliable internet connection to do a majority of the work on.

**To prove your thesis, a Website includes:**

* no more than 1,200 visible, student-composed words.
* a variety of information in text, illustrations, documents, and media (audio, visual).
* primary source materials



**Basic Guidelines:**

* Must be created and built through NHD’s Weebly portal at <http://nhd.weebly.com>
* Use the site-building tools available on the NHD Weebly portal. If components are created using a third-party tool (i.e. Dreamweaver, iWeb, MS Expression), they must be portable to and function correctly with the Weebly editor. All hosting will be performed by Weebly servers.
* The site must not exceed 100 MB.
* The website must “stand alone” and not rely on student to explain it. Be sure the images, written materials, and illustrations are easy for the viewer to understand.
* The **title** should be the main focus and centered.
* A **strong thesis** clearly stated and obvious for viewer to see.
* You may only have **1,200 of your own words**, including titles, subtitles, thesis, captions, descriptions, etc.
* All images need to include URL address to credit the source.
* All quoted material needs to include the source.

*For sample websites, visit:*

[*http://www.nhd.org/StudentProjectExamples.htm*](http://www.nhd.org/StudentProjectExamples.htm)

*and scroll down to Websites*

History Day **WEBSITE** Scoring Rubric

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Title of Exhibit: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Comments/Suggestions:*

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|  | Superior | Excellent | Good | Needs Improvement |
| **Historical Quality - 60%** | **10** | **9** | **8** | **7-5** |
| * historically accurate |  |  |  |  |
| * shows analysis and interpretation |  |  |  |  |
| * places topic in historical context |  |  |  |  |
| * shows wide research |  |  |  |  |
| * uses available primary sources |  |  |  |  |
| * research is balanced & addresses opposing viewpoints |  |  |  |  |
| **Relation to “Leadership & Legacy” Theme - 20%** |  |  |  |  |
| * clearly relates topic to theme with strong thesis statement |  |  |  |  |
| * demonstrates significance of topic (importance) & draws conclusions that prove thesis statement |  |  |  |  |
| **Clarity of Presentation - 30%** |  |  |  |  |
| * **Clearly Organized:** website material is original, clear, appropriate, and well-organized for optimal viewer understanding |  |  |  |  |
| * **Visually Appealing**: has visual impact that enhances viewer interest with use of color, images, objects, and written material |  |  |  |  |
| **Rule Requirements Met:** |  |  |  |  |
| * within size limit of 100 MB |  |  |  |  |
| * within 1,200 word limit for student’s wording |  |  |  |  |
| * multimedia clips within time limit of 45 seconds per clip |  |  |  |  |
| **FINAL SCORE** |  |  |  |  |