



This is an important update regarding the NHD Philly 2023 Competition: **The NHD Philly team and its partners have decided to merge the Junior and Senior division competitions into a single day, to be held on Thursday, March 16th.** This means that there will **NOT** be a separate day to host junior division competitors. We sincerely hope that this does not cause too much disruption, and we welcome any questions, comments, or concerns! Please keep reading to see what this entails:

- If you are a Junior Division teacher (Grades 6-8) you and your students should arrive at the National Constitution Center on **THURSDAY, MARCH 16th** instead of the previously announced Wednesday date.
- If you are a Senior Division teacher (Grades 9-12) nothing has changed from the previously announced date.

Why have we made this change?

As our first onsite competition since 2019 (!), we are very thankful for your understanding as we navigate new waters--or perhaps more appropriately, *frontiers*! We are so incredibly thankful to all of the teachers and students who have carried NHD Philly throughout these past years, and we are looking forward to growing our numbers in years to come! For the 2023 competition, we know it will be in the best interest of our student participants to host the divisions on the same day. This will provide a livelier, more fulfilling experience for everyone involved!

What does this mean for the students?

The only change for junior division student participants is the date of the competition. This **DOES NOT** mean that junior level projects will be judged against senior level projects--judging is by division, and junior level projects will only be judged against other junior level projects. All registration and project submission deadlines for both divisions remain the same: Projects must be registered by teachers by February 27, 2023, and all advance category projects (websites, documentaries, papers) are due on this date as well.

Please reach out to nhdphilly@gmail.com with any questions, comments or concerns!