Georgia Council for the Social Studies

2014 State Social Studies Fair Winners

Note: Upon review of the judging information following the fair, the results have been modified to award Best in Fair to the top two projects.

Best in Fair I

"Muslims (defined "Followers of Peace") vs. Extremists—Do We Know the Difference?"

Eli Parrish, Carsten Clanton, and Christopher Thomas

Bremen Middle School, Bremen City Schools

Katherine Stahl, Directing Teacher

Best in Fair II

"Did Slavery Really End with the 13th Amendment?"

Faith Johnson

Canton Elementary STEM Academy, Cherokee County Schools

Jaimee Hood, Directing Teacher

Note: Some Class I projects have moved up in rank because of the adjustment to the Best in Fair award.

Best in Class I

"What Impact Did Bloody Sunday Have on the Civil Rights Movement?

Ashanti Rice

C. L. Gideons Elementary, Atlanta Public Schools

Darlene Dobbs, Supervising Teacher

Best in Class I Anthropology

"Charter Schools vs. Public Schools: What is All the Fuss About?"

Amaya Roberson

General Ray Davis Middle School, Rockdale County Schools

Tim Barnett, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Economics

"In the Black: How Does Black Friday Affect the Economy?"

Sarah Burkey

General Ray Davis Middle School, Rockdale County Schools

Tim Barnett, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Geography

"Atlanta's Beltline: What is the Beltline and What is its Projected Impact on the City of Atlanta?" Ethan Lee Midvale Elementary School, DeKalb County Schools Shanterrie Martin, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I History

"Antietam Battle"

Amari Washington

St. Marys Magnet Academy, Muscogee County Schools

Annette Morrison, Directing Teacher

Best in Class I Political Science

"The Cold War: What were the Causes?" Lizbeth Coronado, Yessenia Serratos, and Kimberly Morales W. A. Fountain Elementary, Clayton County Schools Regina A. Epps, Directing Teacher Best in Class I Sociology/Social Psychology (3 top scorers) "School Lunches—Changes in Taste" Emily Earnest and Christin Jarrard Rabun County Elementary, Rabun County Schools Kent Woerner, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II

"Which Alternate Fuel Sources Are Most Beneficial and How Do Energy Sources Impact the Environment? Imani Williams, Max Kaiser, and Cameron Bennett Memorial Middle School, Rockdale County Schools Caroline Snell, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Anthropology

"Are Genetically Modified Food Harmful to Our Health?"

Marianne Lamarche

Holcomb Bridge Middle School, Fulton County Schools

Dwayne Gregory, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Economics

"Awareness, Perception, and Consumer Preference" Jack Szwast Creekland Middle School, Cherokee County Schools Randy White, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Geography

"How Does Nuclear Fission Impact World Resources? Zora Duncan Memorial Middle School, Rockdale County Schools Caroline Snell, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II History

"Why Was the Andersonville Civil War POW Camp So Deadly?"

Luke Edenfield

Oglethorpe Charter School. Savannah-Chatham County Schools

Matthew Finley, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Political Science

"Malala's Fight for Education"

Madison Dunn

Aaron Cohn Middle School, Muscogee County Schools

Shirley Paulk, Directing Teacher

Best in Class II Sociology/Social Psychology "The 'F' Word: Life in America with a Felony" Jaiden Boyce Elite Scholars Academy, Clayton County Schools Elizabeth Hooper, Directing Teachers

Best in Class III

"License to Kill'—Do 'Stand Your Ground' Laws Deter Crime of Escalate Violence?" Trenton Smith Columbus High School, Muscogee County School District Wendy Highnote, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Anthropology

"Bride Burning in India" Samantha Romero and Nini Bui Morrow High School, Clayton County Schools Jennifer Henley, Directing Teacher **Best in Class III Economics**

"How Did Iceland's Government Handle Their Economic Crisis Differently Than Other Countries?" Bailey Elizabeth Damiani Henry W. Grady High School, Atlanta Public Schools Louis Sartor, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III History

"The Black Panther Party: Civil Rights Organization or Threat to National Security?" Jonathan Hyman Newton High School, Newton County Schools

Andrew Clink, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Political Science

"The Changing Face of Healthcare" Carver Arant, Josh McLaughlin, and Zach Shockley Carrollton High School, Carrollton City Schools Michael Harvey, Directing Teacher

Best in Class III Sociology/Social Psychology

"The Organ Trade: What is the Effect of Organ Trafficking on Society?" Janethida Louangxay Jonesboro High School, Clayton County Schools Ivory S. Roberson, Directing Teacher

Best in Class IV

"How the Morals of Fairy Tales Have Changed Over Time" Taylor Casey and Kersten Wagoner Jordan High School, Muscogee County School District Rebekah Atkinson, Directing Teacher