



Georgia Council for the Social Studies
STATE SOCIAL STUDIES FAIR
Saturday, April 16, 2016
8 AM-approximately 1:30 PM
Clayton State University
Athletics Center
Morrow, Georgia

Congratulations on having your project chosen as one of the best projects at your regional fair! The Georgia Council for the Social Studies and our sponsors are proud of your hard work and look forward to seeing you in Morrow on April 16. This is the only notice you will receive about the specifics of the fair, so **make sure your teachers and parents see this notice.**

DO THIS BEFORE YOU LEAVE THE REGIONAL FAIR TODAY:

Be sure your Regional Director has a complete and accurate two-page entry form for your project (found at the *Social Studies Fair* link under INFORMATION at www.gcss.net). Fair organizers use all of the information for notifications and awards, so please do not leave any blanks. **The information on the first page should be completed using the computer keyboard, and your parent/guardian should complete the second page by hand with t-shirt size and permission to publish your photo/information should you win a top award, confirming the spelling of your name by printing it, and signing with the signature he/she uses for official school documents.** There should be a separate parent-completed media permission/t-shirt form attached for each student who worked on the project. Teachers, administrators, secretaries, and others should not sign for parents.

The teacher's school address and email address are used to track down any missing information needed by the state fair director to prepare awards or to clear up discrepancies in information on various forms re: correct spellings of student, teacher, or project names or discipline categories. Only one t-shirt is ordered per participant, based on the entry form information, so please be accurate to avoid disappointment on fair day.

Your Regional Director will register you for the state fair using your original entry form.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CLAYTON STATE MAIN CAMPUS, SCHEDULE, AND LODGING:

- Road and campus maps showing the Athletics Center (#5 building on the circle) may be found at <http://www.clayton.edu/maps/maincampus>. The fair schedule and this document will be posted at www.gcss.net. On the day of the fair, you may unload your project on the circle drive in front of the Athletics and Fitness Center, but your car should be moved to a parking lot immediately after unloading in order for others to be able to do the same.
- Set-up will begin at 8 AM, with an opening ceremony at 9 AM. (Provide your own extension cords, power strips, and other technology needs.) Following the opening ceremony, friends and relatives will exit the gym. Participants will remain for interviews, photos, and t-shirt distribution. Once participants have completed these activities, they will be released from the gym until judging teams have completed their work. Participants should return to the fitness center at the public viewing time on the schedule, and judges will make their best efforts to be finished by that time.
- Lodging information can be found on the internet at <http://www.atlantatruesouth.com>. Occasionally, the motels will offer reduced rates for people attending Clayton State activities; your parents or teachers may want to inquire about discounts if/when they call to make reservations.

ADDITIONAL INFO: Additional prizes will be given in each discipline by *New Georgia Encyclopedia*, two archaeology organizations, the Georgia Council on Economic Education, and other organizations interested in student growth in these areas. If you have not explored and used the resources of the *New Georgia Encyclopedia*, you may want to search www.georgiaencyclopedia.org for information to incorporate into your research or display. Remember to include NGE in your bibliography. If you would like a list of archaeology guidelines, please ask your directing teacher to request those guidelines from the state fair director.