

# The New GCSS Virtual Regional Social Studies Fair!!

## What You Need to Know

1. This year's Virtual Regional Social Studies Fair is a pilot (trial year) for students who take online classes; for students who have won local school fairs, but cannot attend regional fairs due to pre-existing competition conflicts; and for students who will benefit from this online format.

Georgia Virtual School students may be entered by their instructors.

Participation by non-virtual school local winners with competition conflicts and students with other needs should be requested by local school system officials responsible for the social studies fairs. The state director ([smcoleman50@gmail.com](mailto:smcoleman50@gmail.com)) will determine if criteria have been met for participation.

**Virtual Regional Fair entry forms due to [Freda.Goodman@gavirtualschool.org](mailto:Freda.Goodman@gavirtualschool.org): February 23, 2018.**

2. The project components will consist of the traditional research paper, a visual presentation of your project in power point, pdf, or mp4 format, and the online interview. This will require some further steps for those who won local fairs using the backboard format. Both the paper (in pdf format) and the visual presentation (in power point, pdf, or mp4 format) must be submitted by **March 2, 2018**. Use the Virtual Fair score sheet as a guide to help you prepare for competition.

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3. Students will connect with the regional director to present their projects online at a time assigned by the regional director. This is the official date of the Virtual Region Fair.

**15-minute presentations and interviews in Adobe Connect: March 19 - 23, 2018**  
**Freda Goodman, the regional director, will send you your scheduled time and instructions.**

4. The Virtual region director may send 16 Best in Fair projects to the state fair. Projects must score 90 or above to be considered for state.

**Regional winners will be announced by April 2nd and forwarded to the state director.**

5. Virtual Fair projects will compete in a new category at the state fair. There will be four prizes given: Best in Virtual Fair, and First, Second, and Third Runners-up in Virtual Fair.

**Regional winners will be entered in the state fair to be held on **April 14, 2018**, at Clayton State University.**