West Frederick Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Beginning today, Mr. Pierson's students will be working on a six-month-long enrichment project involving historical research. Ms. Howser will be assisting with this endeavor. This project is designed to teach students valuable skills in research and analysis of historical events. At the end of this project, students will have the opportunity to compete in the Frederick County History Day competition, which will be held at Crestwood Middle School on March 18, 2017.

Student research will be focused on the theme *Taking a Stand in History*. Students may research any historical event or person who may connect to this theme. Students will be required to use a variety of primary and secondary sources to conduct their research. While students will have some instruction and class time devoted to completing this project, they will also have to spend time at home to ensure their project is complete by the due date. All students are expected to complete this project, which will be included on your child's third term grade.

Students and parents are encouraged to visit our History Day website, which includes all of the information you and your child will need to plan your project, including:

- Explanation of the theme
- Possible topics
- · Calendar of due dates

The website is http://piersonnhd.weebly.com

Please sign below to indicate you have read and understood all of the expectations for this project, and return this page to Mr. Pierson by Monday, September 26.

Feel free to email Ms. Howser or Mr. Pierson with any questions.

I have read all pages in this project packet and understand that I will be responsible for completing a historical research enrichment project.

Student name:	Student Signature:
Parent Signature:	Date:
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