



Entry Information – Podcast

Elementary Division

Location: See [Interview Schedule*](#)

Upon Arrival: Student check-in is on the second floor of the Student Union in the Cottonwood Room.

Prior to the Contest:

By 8:00 a.m. on May 2nd

- **You MUST upload ONE pdf** which includes your title page, process paper, and annotated bibliography.
- **You MUST Submit your project link:** Students must save their podcast to a private channel on a web-based service, like YouTube, or save it to a cloud-based storage service like Google drive and submit this link.
 - Link share settings must be set to "Viewable by anyone with the link".
 - You will receive an email with instructions on how to provide your project link to NHD-CA.

To upload your pdf and submit your link, refer to the Upload Instructions located at: <https://www.nhdca.org/nhd-ca-state-finals/>

Optional Back Up

- **Bring Your Own Device:** Bring a laptop and play your podcast directly from the device.
 - An audio system with an HDMI port will be available. Students are responsible for any additional adapters they may need to connect their own device.
- **MP3 or MP4 – USB Flash Drive:** From your podcast software, save or export your project as a MP3 or MP4 audio file. These file types are playable on a wide variety of computers.

Available Equipment: Each room will be equipped with the following:

- Audio system with HDMI port adapters.
- Computer with USB port and wireless internet connection.

Podcast Festival Experience:

The Elementary Podcast Festival is a 2-part experience for students. All students will enter the judging room at the same time. The festival includes both an interactive student-only experience and a public showcase of the podcasts.

Part 1 – Festival

During the festival, students will have a fun interactive student-only experience. Judges also will talk with students about their project and their research.

Judges will only ask questions from the list:

- How did you choose your topic?
- How did you research your topic?
- How does your topic connect to this year's theme?
- How did you create your project?
- What did you learn that surprised you?
- What source was the most helpful?
- What would you like to know more about?

Part 1 – Showcase

During the showcase, judging rooms are open to teachers, family members, and students to listen to the podcasts.

Students will play their podcast for the judges and audience.

- You will click on the link you uploaded to NHD-CA or plugging in your flash drive or laptop and play it from your device.
- Judges will help you if needed.

* Interview Schedule will be posted on April 24th