



2021 NATIONAL HISTORY DAY

“DEBATE & DIPLOMACY IN HISTORY: SUCCESSES, FAILURES, CONSEQUENCES”

Possible Idaho Topics

Negotiating power and resolving conflicts

- Idaho Adoption of Right to Work Employment Law: Success, Failures, and Consequences.
- Water Rights: Debate & Diplomacy
- Coeur d’Alene Indians and Lake Coeur d’Alene Ownership Dispute—Debate & Diplomacy
- Lack of Diplomacy: the Bunker Hill/Sullivan Mining Wars
- W.E. Borah & the Haywood Trial
- Failed Federal Diplomacy: The Federal High Dam at Hells Canyon & Idaho Power’s fight for Three Dams
- Nez Perce War 1877
- Diplomatic Breakdown at Ruby Ridge

Seeking compromise through Diplomacy and Challenging the Status Quo

- Born in the USA: Internment of Japanese Americans in WWII (Minidoka Settlement)
- Conservation Movement of the early 1970’s
- Learning from the Past: Castle Rock and Boise Development
- Oregon Question – 54-40 or Fight and Its Effect on Idaho Borders
- Migrant workers in Idaho
- Sagebrush Rebellion Debate

Debate can lead to change

- Nuclear Energy and Idaho: History of the Snake River Alliance
- Prohibition and Temperance Movement
- Wilderness Act and Idaho
- Debate & Diplomacy: Federal vs. States Rights – the Preservation of the Salmon
- Debating the Past: Teddy Roosevelt and the Antiquities Act
- Idaho Public Policy issues: legislative and gubernatorial debates