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Resources for K-12 Educators

The AHC welcomes visits by elementary, junior high, and high school classes. There are a variety of services the AHC can offer to these classes ranging from tours to activities involving working with primary sources. The AHC is also involved with National History Day, a program for students in grades six through twelve.

Tours

Classes are welcome to come and take a tour of the AHC's facilities. Tours typically take twenty to thirty minutes and include the main storage area, the second floor loggia, and the reading room.

If you are interested in having your class take a tour, please email ahcref@uwyo.edu or call 307 766-3756. Tours must be booked two weeks in advance of the proposed tour date.

Working with Archival Resources

The AHC has activities related to working with archival materials that students can work through in order to become better acquainted with primary source research. These activities teach students how to use archival materials to answer research questions. These activities typically take twenty to sixty minutes to complete. It is common for the activities to be paired with a tour of AHC facilities.

If you are interested in having your class participate in these activities, please email ahcref@uwyo.edu or call 307 766-3756. Tours must be booked two weeks in advance of the proposed activity date.

National History Day

History Day is a national competition in which students in grades six through twelve create projects based on primary sources. The theme of the competition changes each year. To learn more, visit the History Day resources on this website.

The AHC welcomes classes interested in participating in History Day. It is important that teachers and students identify which collections and boxes they would like to use prior to arriving at the AHC. To begin identifying collections your students may be interested in, browse our collections and learn more about our holdings. You can view our collections by subject area or review some popular research topics. Additionally, AHC Reference faculty can assist you in your search.

Schedule a Class Visit

If you are interested in having your class take a tour, work with archival resources, or work on History Day projects at the AHC, please let us know by submitting our online form. Visits must be booked two weeks in advance of the proposed visit date.