

NHD UTAH 2022

PERFORMANCE INSTRUCTIONS

All in-person NHD Utah contests will hold LIVE performances at the contest venue. In addition, you will submit a video recording of your performance in advance, which will be used as a backup in case you need to compete virtually.

Begin by reading pages 25-26 in the NHD [Contest Rule Book](#) and following all performance rules.

CREATE A VIDEO OF YOUR PERFORMANCE

- **Treat the recording as if it is a live performance.**
- Your performance should be recorded in **one take**. **No editing** of the video is permitted. Do not edit multiple clips together or edit in digital effects or audio
- In your recording, please only use backgrounds and props that you would intentionally have or bring for a live performance at an on-site contest.
- Digital effects are not permitted unless they could be done during a live performance.
- Most contest settings for performances will have a plain wall or curtain. For your video, use a plain background or one that you create instead of recording your performance in front of a decorated room in your home or a green screen to which you can add images later. Those settings would not be possible at an on-site contest.
- Any audio recordings, music, or media that are present in the recording must also be part of your live performance. Audio cannot be added later.
- Do not record the 5 minutes of set-up/break-down allotted for your performance.
- Group performances should follow all social distancing guidelines and preventative actions that apply in your school, county, or state.

Recording Platforms and MP4 Files

- Performances can be filmed using a camera, a smart phone, or an online conferencing platform such as Google Meet, Zoom, or Microsoft Teams.
- You may use any recording platform that allows you to meet the performance requirements and create an MP4 recording.

CREATE A SHAREABLE GOOGLE LINK TO YOUR VIDEO

Because student Google accounts are usually kept behind a school firewall, you will need to use a teacher, parent, or personal Google Drive account to create a shareable link to your video. Contest judges will watch your project directly from the link you provide.

Step 1. Save your finished video as an **MP4** file.

Step 2. Upload the MP4 file into the teacher/parent/personal Google Drive folder. Allow it time to upload fully.

Step 3. In the Google folder, click on the video file to select it, then click on the **Get Link** icon (looks like a hyperlink button).

Step 4. Set link sharing to **Anyone with the link** (anyone on the internet with this link can view) and **Viewer**.

Step 5. Copy link. You will paste the link into your NHD student account (instructions below).

***YouTube links are not allowed due to copyright issues.**

UPLOAD YOUR PROJECT TO THE CONTEST

You will upload your project directly into your **NHD student account**. **Check the project due dates for your contest.** Be sure to submit your finished project before this deadline.

Group Entries: Only one student needs to upload the project files/links.

If You Advance: If you advance to the next level of competition and revise your project (which you are strongly encouraged to do!), you will need to upload the revised files/links into your student profile for the next contest.

Uploading Instructions:

Step 1. Go to the contest website and login to your NHD student account. You'll need the username and password you created when you registered for the contest.

Step 2. Click on your name (top right) → click on **My Profile**.

Step 3. Upload your PDF file to the Written Materials field, and paste your video link into the Performance Link field.

Step 4. Double-check that your PDF and link show in the fields.

Step 5. Click **SAVE** at the bottom of the profile box.

Category	Digital Format	Upload to this Field
Performance	One PDF of title page, process paper, annotated bibliography Shareable link to video of your documentary/performance	Written Materials (PDF) Performance Link