



TO: 11th and 12th Grade Social Studies Teachers

FROM: Dr. Perry Hornbacher, Professor of History, Bismarck State College & William Wedberg, North Dakota Masonic Foundation

DATE: February 21, 2018

RE: 61st ANNUAL KNOW YOUR STATE COMPETITION 2018

It is time to encourage your students to enter the Know Your State competition. BSC is excited to be hosting the 61st annual competition on our campus in partnership with the North Dakota Masonic Foundation. This is a great opportunity to promote North Dakota history among high school students.

Two students have the opportunity to each win a \$1,000 cash prize by:

- Achieving a high score on the preliminary test administered online at your school
- Being one of two high scorers on the final exam which includes multiple choice and essay questions at Bismarck State College.

Additional cash awards will be given to two students at each of the second, third and fourth place levels.

Once your student(s) are registered, each student will be issued a password which allows them to take the preliminary online test with a qualified school employee monitor. From March 7 to March 21, school administrators will make the exam accessible to students individually or at set times via computer lab. Finalists will be announced after March 26th and invitations will be sent to the qualifying students to participate in the final exam at the BSC's National Energy Center of Excellence on Monday, April 30, 2018.

Following the on campus test the morning of Monday, April 30, 2018, lunch will be on your own. All finalists and their guest(s) are invited to the banquet which will be held at **4:30 pm** to announce winners and present awards.

Note that the deadline for registering students is March 7, 2018. To ensure that your students will be able to take part in the competition, please visit <http://bit.ly/18KnowYourState/> and click the 2018 Online Test tab. A registration link is available for you to complete (please click the orange button on that page). For questions, please contact me at alison.zarr@bismarckstate.edu or 701-224-5731.

Thank you! We look forward to a great event!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Alison Zarr'.

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