

## Event Entry: Design Challenge

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*World History: Falcon Research Database*



Dear LFU World History Students:

The Library Services Department in the Los Fresnos Consolidated Independent School District is dedicated to providing children with educational and technological resources to enhance their learning. The Library at Los Fresnos United has worked to cultivate books, digital tools, and online resource subscriptions to provide the best learning environment for over 1500 students every year. The Library's ultimate mission is to help students find solutions to satisfy their thirst for knowledge.

As information on the Internet becomes harder for students to differentiate between opinion and fact, more schools are developing their own online research databases that students can access both at home and at school. These databases provide verified research information, access to primary and secondary source documents, and digital maps and graphics. How can we create an online database that provides resources students can use for research papers, homework assignments, and major projects? In an effort to provide a safe online community, the Library Services department will accept digital catalogues in the form of a website for the new Falcon Research Database. All 10<sup>th</sup> grade history classes will submit catalogues for different historical periods. Your class has been assigned 1450-1700 C.E., which encompasses the Renaissance, the Reformation, Exploration, and Expansion.

In order for your website to be accepted, you must present your design to Library Services Department of Los Fresnos CISD. All websites must present original work that examines political, economic, social, cultural, and intellectual developments during the assigned historical period. Your work must provide historical context, primary and secondary sources, and analysis of historical events. You should also include at least 5 to 10 images that enhance learning and creative connections. Your design should be fun and creative; however, you should also be able to clearly and effectively communicate your learning to middle school and high school students in our school district.

The Los Fresnos CISD's Library Services Department looks forward to viewing your submissions on December 5, 2019.

Sincerely,

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