**NHD Process Paper**

The topic that I have chosen to research and create a project on is the attack on Pearl Harbor and its affect on World War II. I chose this topic because I have always been interested in the history of the United States and its major events that occurred. Wars did not interest me as much, but an event like the attack on Pearl Harbor had caught my attention because it was a stealth attack and I became very curious ever since the beginning about how it happened, why it happened, who caused it and more. I was going to do this topic last year for the Social Studies; however, we weren’t given a wider time period of events to look into. Now, however, we are given a much larger time span where we could choose a project that occurred before 1990. Also, the attack on Pearl Harbor involved two major countries of the time, and them being allies before also triggered my attention. The attack on Pearl Harbor was an event that caught my attention in many ways, and since I had the opportunity; I went and chose this topic to create a project on and research on.

I conducted my research by searching online using specific keywords that will bring me the best of my results. By using key words such as cause, affect, reason, who, what, where, when, why and more, I can find a source with a well-written amount of information. By using well-trusted websites, I was able to find correct information. I used a large different variety of trusted websites and primary sources. These resources helped me gather my research and create my conclusions.

I selected my presentation category by choosing the one that not only I will enjoy the most, but also so I can practice it for a later need. I chose a website; a website can benefit me later in life because careers that I am interested in require creating websites and working with networking. I asked my father for guidance, since he is a computer engineer, which is also a great help. I created my project using other’s template ideas and then altering them for my needs.

My project does not support my thesis statement. After extensive research, I have learned that the United States would have entered the war whatsoever, since their allies had entered in the war. My project relates to the theme “Turning Points in History” because it triggered new ways to secure the borders in America. It also the world that the United States will always stand up for itself and will attack any nation that tries to put it in harm’s way. The attack on Pearl Harbor is also a turning point because it changed the security in many ways. The attack on Pearl Harbor changed the world forever.