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### NEWS RELEASE

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#### **High School Historians to Present Results of Their Research**

Abilene High School sophomores and Smoky Valley High School juniors will present the results of their research at 7:00 p.m. on March 31. The program will be held in the at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library Visitors Center auditorium, Abilene, Kansas.

Speeches by Abilene High School students for this event include Annie Christner – “1919 Transcontinental Motor Convoy”; Lauryn Mounts – “Never Forget: Life in the Warsaw Ghetto”; Travis Friston – “Psychological Warfare: The Mind as a Weapon”; and Emily Myers – “Mamie Eisenhower.”

Smoky Valley High School students and their research topics are Sarah Gross – “Women’s Political Influence in the 1950s”; Austin Anderson – “The Rosenberg Executions”; Megan Loder – “Desegregation in Little Rock”; and Kim Prockish – “Poverty in America.”

Abilene High School sophomores participated in the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Informational Speech Unit in January and February. Students participating in the program produced an illustrated speech supported by documents and secondary sources from the Eisenhower Library. This curriculum unit is utilized by the Abilene School District as its designated project for state assessment of communications (speech) requirements.

Smoky Valley High School juniors conducted primary source research during the fall 2007 and spring 2008 semesters as part of their American History Plus class. Smoky Valley students have participated in research projects at the Eisenhower Library every school year since 1992.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information call 263-6700 or toll free 1-877-RING IKE. The Dwight D. Eisenhower Library is one of twelve Presidential libraries operated by the National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C.