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Are you submitting an entry to Project POTUS?

We want your best intel on the presidents. But please make sure to do the research, production, and writing for the project **yourself.** Artificial Intelligence (AI) is everywhere, but using the tool to do the work for you could disqualify your entry.

Read on to make sure your video follows contest rules for AI use. This applies to middle and high school students creating submissions for Project POTUS.

THE ONLY *ACCEPTABLE WAYS TO USE AI FOR PROJECT POTUS SUBMISSIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Websites that create animation from a user description (You're powering the creativity, the website is producing the visual of your idea.)
- 2. Spelling and grammar checks (Please double check spelling, grammar, and dates in your project after using these tools anyway.)
- 3. Text to speech function for recording narration for Project POTUS video (Text must be written by the student and not auto generated or written by AI.)
- 4. Automatic closed captioning programs that will take your voice narration and generate on-screen captions. (Double check and correct grammar or spelling in the generated captions.)
- 5. Assistance with your translation from another language into English (double check for spelling and grammar issues in the resulting translation.)
- *When using any of these acceptable AI tools, you <u>MUST</u> name the website or source of the AI program on your source list or as part of your citations. This can be as part of the video itself, or on your Judgify entry form where asked. If your project uses AI but you don't let Project POTUS HQ know, your submission will not be eligible for awards.

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EXAMPLES OF A.I. USE NOT PERMITTED FOR QUALIFYING ENTRIES ARE THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. Artificial Intelligence websites that do your research for you. Ex: Asking Chat GPT to summarize the history of a president then copying it to use as is.
- 2. Artificial Intelligence that writes the script for a narration for you.
- 3. Al that self-produces an entire video, wherein the student does not develop the content.

If you have a question about a version of AI use not mentioned here, please send a note to the team at the Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site. Email Molly Beausir at **projectpotus@bhpsite.org.**

Project POTUS HQ will assume that all projects submitted to the national contest agree to this AI policy. Any video submission that is found to...

- 1. Use copyrighted material inappropriately
- 2. Plagiarize (copying someone else's work or not citing your source)
- 3. Use AI tools other than those defined in the acceptable uses section above

will not be eligible for awards during the 2026 contest.

Looking for more resources to complete your Project POTUS entry?

Visit <u>projectpotus.org</u> for instructions for creating your video, research recommendations, general contest rules, and more.