



## **AMERICA 250: TELLING TROY'S STORIES**

### **Oral History Project for Students – Grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

In addition to telling stories of historic people, buildings, and objects, Troy Historic Village also wants to tell the stories of people who live in Troy today. We are collecting oral histories from people in Troy – and that includes students like you! Oral histories are a way of collecting real stories from people and so for the future. Oral histories can help us understand the way that people lived in different times and places.

One of the ways people learn about the past is by reading things people left behind like journals and letters. The Troy Historic Village is going to display the poster you make and then keep it in our archive (the place museums store their important stuff) so that people in the future can learn about what life was like in Troy in 2026.

### **Directions**

With a grown-up's help, write an answer to the questions on your poster. You may need to ask your grown-up for help with some of the questions and that is okay!

You may leave your last name off of the poster if you or your grown-ups prefer. If you want to do a little more, you can also add a little more information to each answer. For example, for the question "My name is..." you might add why your parents chose that name for you, or if you have a nickname.

You can also add a "because" to your answers if you want to. If you have a reason why a person or place in Troy is your favorite, we want to hear about it!

When you are done answering the questions, you can add pictures of your family, your house, your favorite person, or anything that relates to your answers.! It can be a drawing, or a photograph. You can also decorate your poster with fun colors.



Ravij

My name is Ravij.

My family has lived in Troy for 10 years.

My family lives in Troy because my parents  
work here.

My favorite thing in Troy is the library.

My favorite person in Troy is my soccer coach.

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My name is \_\_\_\_\_

My family has lived in Troy for \_\_\_\_\_

My family lives in Troy because \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite thing in Troy is \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite person in Troy is \_\_\_\_\_

