Process Paper

1. How did you choose your topic and how does it relate to the annual theme?

We chose the aftermath of 9/11 because we already had a decent amount of knowledge on the topic and we both found it interesting. It shows all three aspects of the theme, but we only focused on two: Reaction and reform. It shows reform because there were many laws and acts put in place to enhance transportation security and the biggest reaction was the war on terror.

2. How did you conduct your research?

We first went to the Jacksonville Public Library database to look for some sources there. After we found what we thought was a good amount, we asked AI to pull some sources on the aftermath of 9/11.

3. How did you create your project?

We first tried to figure out how the NHD website maker worked and we found it confusing. So, we then did all of our code in Microsoft Visual Code and tried to copy and paste it in.

4. What is your historical argument?

The aftermath of 9/11 shows both reaction and reform, for example, the war on terror was a reaction while there were many security reforms, all of which left a lasting impression on the US and our national security.

5. In what ways is your topic historically significant?

9/11 caused many security reforms like the creation of TSA and the Department of Homeland Security. It also initiated the USA Patriot Act to enhance the government's investigative power. It also sparked the war on terror which continues today for some. Finally, many innocent people lost their lives along with two beautiful towers.