



## Houston County CTAE: Working to Produce High-Achieving Students

# Northside High School

## NHS Student Raises Own Show Calf Through AI

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Another successful show season has ended, but the work isn't over for one Northside High School FFA member. Ethan Little, has been a regular around junior livestock shows since he was in third grade. Ethan has spent his entire 18 year life around cattle. In fact, his father purchased cattle with the sole intent to start his college fund the year before he was born. "I was fascinated by them from the time I was a small boy," said Ethan. Ethan started his show career in the third grade through 4-H. At the time Ethan did not know very much about beef cattle but was eager to learn. Over time, Ethan and his dad built a barn and installed fences on their property to house his cattle. Ethan continued his show career at Northside Middle and Northside High School through his FFA Chapters. Once in middle school he started his Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) based on his cattle herd. Throughout middle and high school his SAE continued to grow. "This is how I started my own beef farm that I call Littleman Farms. Today I am proud to say, I have built up my own herd of cows that I have raised and bred. I have 13 cows which consists of one bull, one heifer, six steers and five new calves which I will began breaking in March."



Ethan is Artificial Insemination Certified which allows him to artificially inseminate his cattle during the breeding process. This allows him to select the most superior genetics to breed his cows to which hopefully results in higher quality offspring. Because of this, Ethan has been able to sell show cattle to other FFA and 4-H members around the state. "My SAE Project has been a rewarding process and has helped me save for my future", says Ethan. Throughout his SAE, Ethan has learned more and more about the cattle industry; from artificial insemination certification to caring for sick cattle, cleaning barns, birthing calves to learning the economics of running a small farm. What began as a hobby for a young child has now grown to a business. This last show season alone, Ethan produced \$15,000 in revenue by selling show cattle and cattle for meat. Ethan hopes to take the knowledge he has gained through his SAE and become a veterinarian.



This past show season was Ethan's senior year, so his junior show career has come to an end. His show career has not always been full of Grand Champion awards or Reserve Grand Champion awards, but he does have some first and second place ribbons for his hard work. "What's better than winning, is having the sense of pride that I raised and hand delivered some of my own beef cattle," said Ethan. The brown and white calf pictured above with Ethan is actually one he bred on his farm and was his show calf for the 2020-2021 season.

FFA Advisers at Northside High School are Virgil Blalock and Matthew Darby.



Perry  
High



Houston County  
Career Academy



Veterans  
High



Northside  
High



Warner Robins  
High



Houston County  
High

## Northside High School FCCLA Brings Home Medals from State Leadership

On March 11-13, over 158 middle and high school chapters in Family and Consumer Sciences attended the Georgia FCCLA Virtual State Leadership Conference that was livestreamed from the Georgia FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington, Georgia. Students were able to discover their leadership potential by attending general sessions, workshops and competing in different competitive events.

Awards included: 2nd Place Digital Storytelling - Norma Jones and Sophia Khan; 4<sup>th</sup> Place Chapter Service Display - Hal'ey Purvis; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Focus on Children - Zoe Babcock and Emma Collins; 4<sup>th</sup> Place National Programs in Action - Heta Patel and Emily Hajec; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Entrepreneurship - Carson Sams; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Chapter Service Portfolio - Elizabeth May and Kennedy Martin; 1<sup>st</sup> Place Say Yes to FACS - Rayannah Stephens.

“These students are truly the face of the future. They competed in activities that showcased not only their knowledge, but their leadership skills. Congratulations to the students for their hard work and preparation.” said Carla Jessup, NHS FCCLA Chapter Adviser.

Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Jody Dean serves as Principal.



Emily Hajec and  
Heta Patel



Kennedy Martin and  
Elizabeth May



Carson Sams



Hal'ey Purvis



Rayannah Stephens



Sophia Khan and  
Norma Jones

Emma Collins  
and Zoe Babcock



## Young Entrepreneur Visits Northside High School



### **Brandon Pope, Young Entrepreneur**

To celebrate FBLA Week, young entrepreneur and trendsetter Brandon Pope made a virtual visit to Northside High School FBLA. Brandon is currently a mass communications/broadcast journalism major at Fort Valley State University. He is also a local DJ personality who started his first business when he was in middle school. Currently, he owns and manages Brandon's Bouncehouse Rentals, Brandon's Photography, Brandon's T-Shirts and Prints, Brandon's Entertainment, and Brandon's Classic Car Shows. His businesses are fully operational.

He shared his personal vision, success story, and challenged Northside FBLA students to follow their dreams. Students posed insightful questions with curiosity about what Brandon learned while launching these enterprises. Pope is a FBLA alumni and graduate of Howard High School in Macon, Georgia. If you would like to contact Brandon you may do so at <https://brandonpope.webs.com>.

Other activities during FBLA Week included the Dress for Success Day, Fact-of-the-Day, Trivia Tuesday, Teacher Appreciation Day, and Spirit Day. Hats off to the students at Northside FBLA. Advisers for Northside High School FBLA are Lisa Mobley and Carlos McCloud.



# Houston County Career Academy

## Teaching As a Profession Students Read to Students

On March 4<sup>th</sup>, the Houston County Career Academy Teaching As a Profession (TAAP) pathway students served as guest readers to students at Shirley Hills Elementary and Russell Elementary. Schools celebrate Read Across America week with many events, and the TAAP students went into their host classrooms to read a pre-selected book. The TAAP interns wore special "READ" t-shirts to celebrate the occasion. These future teachers get valuable experience being engaged directly with students in a classroom setting. First-year Teaching As a Profession students intern in host classrooms every Thursday of Spring semester. The Teaching As a Profession pathway gives high school students the opportunity to learn about the teaching field through classroom instruction and internships.

Houston County Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Sabrina Phelps serves as Principal, and Erin Morton is the Instructor.



## HCCA Hosts Industrial Maintenance Program Tour

On Friday, March 5, 2021, Houston County Career Academy (HCCA) Principal and CEO, Sabrina Phelps, hosted a contingent of educators and a businessperson from Haralson County for a tour and informational session regarding their Industrial Maintenance program and its partnership with Frito-Lay. Attendees from Haralson County were Dr. Jerry Bell, Haralson County School Superintendent; Chris Roberts, Haralson Schools Metals Teacher; Meagan Rutherford, College and Career Academy CEO and CTAE Director; and Keith Bell, Tooling Manager for Tyden Brooks Security Products Group. Also in attendance were Industrial Maintenance students, Sandi Couillard, Houston County Schools Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator, and CGTC representatives: Mark McCurdy, Industrial Maintenance Instructor at HCCA; Kim Gunn, Director for High School Initiatives; and Meagan White, High School Initiatives Enrollment Coordinator.

The session began with a tour of the HCCA Industrial Maintenance Lab where students demonstrated their knowledge and skills with lab trainers. Mrs. Phelps shared the timeline of the Frito-Lay partnership and showed a Frito-Lay *Day in the Life of an Industrial Mechanic* video. CGTC dual enrollment, classroom standards, and Youth Apprenticeship Program options were also shared. The session ended with a question and answer session and a brief tour the building.

The purpose for the session was to inform Haralson county representatives about the great Frito-Lay/HCCA partnership and how they, too, can make something like this happen. Meagan Rutherford said she heard about this partnership through information shared during a statewide Work-Based Learning meeting hosted by Sandi Couillard.



Desmond Cobbs and  
Hayden Sanders



Pictured at right are:  
Nicholas Romeo,  
Hayden Sanders and  
Desmond Cobb  
looking on.



Christian Hendrix



Nicholas  
Romeo and  
Christian  
Hendrix (back)

# Veterans High School

## VHS Graphics Students Create and Design Custom Buttons

Veterans High School Graphic Design students press buttons after designing them in both Productions and Advanced classes. Students have enjoyed learning to design the templates, using the graphic punches and button machines. Students love showing off their buttons and giving the gifts to their friends.

As part of the curriculum standards, the graphic students must produce items with their designs. Students promote the program inadvertently by wearing their designs, which becomes a win-win for the school and the program.

Veterans High is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Amy Barbour serves as the Principal, Dr. Sherry Johnson serves as the CTAE Supervisor, and Ashley Cline serves as Graphic Design Instructor.



Aley Darley



Macy Hall



Kristin Brown and  
Cole Kleinebekel

## Veterans High Graphic Student Wins Nationwide Logo Design Contest



Veterans High Schools student, Skyla Applegate, recently won a national logo design contest. She is pictured above with her “Reach and Teach” t-shirt design. Applegate, an Introduction to Graphics and Design student, rose to the challenge set by her teacher and the contest.

Reach and Teach is a non-profit company that is founded on student-led teaching curriculum that is designed for easy integration into any business education class and is flexible enough to meet the needs of any CTE classroom. The company hosts an annual designing contest for high school students nationwide and uses the winning design for a year. Veterans High Graphic Communications and Design Instructor, Ashley Cline, assigned the project to her classes. Each student submitted a t-shirt design to the contest.

As the 2021 winner, Applegate will receive the first official Reach and Teach t-shirt and a prize package. She will also be highlighted in the company newsletter distributed in April 2021, recognized on the company’s social media accounts and receive a letter of recommendation from the Creative Officer. Reach and Teach will have the rights to use her design to raise funds during 2021.

## Veterans Air Force JROTC Raiders Compete at All-Service Nationals



The VHS AFJROTC Raiders team travelled to Molena, Georgia on February 26, 2021 to compete in the 2021 Raiders All-Service Nationals. The competition consisted of five physical team tests, each were scored for placement among the field of 22 Raiders teams from across the nation.

The VHS Raider brought home awards in two events:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Place in the Physical Team Test
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place in the Gauntlet

The VHS Raiders placed 5<sup>th</sup> overall against the other mixed Raiders teams.

Veterans High School AFJROTC Instructors are Lt. Col. Jessica Chapman, SMSgt Garrett Martin and SMSgt Torrance Martin.

Picture above are:

Front Row, left to right, Josh Smith, Madison Riordan, Samantha Godfrey, Daniel Loudin, Lucas Wilson, Alexis Andrade, and Brooke Taylor;

Back Row, left to right, SMSgt G Martin, Kamron Smith, Nick Benson, Evan Davis, Logan Magilligan, Parks Walker, and Clara Maddox.



## VHS FBLA Attends Virtual State Leadership Conference



On Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Veterans High FBLA Chapter participated in the 2021 FBLA “Dare to Dream” Virtual State Leadership Conference. Members and advisers dressed in their FBLA Dare to Dream comfort attire, complete with custom-made sleep caps and met in the VHS Media Center, which was decorated in a “dream theme”, for the full day event.

The students enjoyed breakfast while local officers facilitated ice breaker activities and prepared for the opening session, streamed and presented live by the State Officer Leadership Team. The highlight of the first meeting was the announcement of individual chapter awards. The group was completely thrilled when they heard Veterans High School listed as a recipient of the Bronze Level Chapter of the Year Award.

Break-out sessions followed during the virtual conference with interesting and informative workshops for students to participate in, including the Power of the Portfolio, Managing Your

Emotions, Starting A Successful Business, Setting College and Career Goals, Branding and Marketing Your Local Chapter, The Power of Persuasion, and A Member’s Guide to Stress Management.

FBLA officer, Landon Wilson, led the conference attendees in the viewing of a Personality Test workshop. Personality tests are increasingly used in education and in selecting a career. Students learned more about the tests and themselves by participating. State Officer, Mackenzie Buck gave an overview on personality testing, guidelines for interpreting results, and a discussion of the most important question: What does this mean for individuals?

Throughout the day, participants enjoyed playing team-building games and winning prizes. Students also were able to listen to the keynote speaker, who gave a great talk on Speaking and Presentation Skills and enjoyed participating in panel discussions on Graduating and Entering Your Field, Applying and Entering College, and Real World Experience.



The conference culminated with the Awards of Excellence Program where all state competitors found out if they were selected to go on to compete at the next level at the FBLA Virtual National Conference this summer. Congratulations to 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner, Bryce Wellman, who will be representing Veterans High in the Coding and Programming competition in June.

Janet Sheffield and Belinda Collier are FBLA Advisers at Veterans High School.

# Houston County High School

## HCHS FCCLA Shines Bright and Makes Winning Virtually Possible at Region STAR Events Competition

The unprecedented events of this year may have changed the way competitions look for FCCLA, but it has not changed the success of Houston County High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) members. HCHS FCCLA participated in the first ever Virtual Region 7 STAR Events Competition in February. While virtual STAR Events presented new challenges and approaches to competing with FCCLA, members were determined and focused to do their best and make winning and success with FCCLA *virtually* possible. Through STAR Events, several students from the Houston County High School FCCLA had the opportunity to represent the chapter through their participation in various STAR Event projects that explored their skills and talents in public speaking, project planning, community outreach, and more.

The top two teams from each competition category advance to the Virtual State Level Competition. The following HCHS FCCLA Region STAR Event winners advancing to State are:

Alyssa Calvert and Grace Filer – Gold in Chapter in Review Display Level 3

Alexis Keene – Gold in Professional Presentation Level 3

Camryn Pinckney – Silver in Job Interview Level 3

Andy Lu and Maggie Duke – Gold in Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Level 2

These students will be representing HCHS FCCLA and showcasing their talents and projects at the Virtual State Leadership Conference. HCHS is proud of the hard work, talent, and commitment of these students who advanced their leadership skills through competitive events by willing to embrace the new experiences with competing in the virtual world. HCHS FCCLA wishes these students the best of luck as they advance to the next level in virtual competitions and compete BEYond MEasure with FCCLA.



Camryn Pinckney received Silver in Job Interview Level 3 and will advance to the Virtual State Competition.



Maggie Duke and Andy Lu received Silver in Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Level 2 and will advance to the Virtual State Competition.



Alyssa Calvert and Grace Filer competed BEYond MEasure and received a Gold Medal in Chapter in Review Display Level 3, advancing to the Virtual State Competition.



Alexis Keene received Gold in Professional Presentation Level 3 and will advance to the Virtual State Competition.

## 27 Years of Leadership . . . HCHS FCCLA Legacy Beyond Measure



**Houston County High School FCCLA is proud of its members who have represented FCCLA as officers. Pictured left to right are: Madeline Hagemann, 2020 – 2021 State Vice President of Competitive Events, Aspen Mitchell 2020 – 2021 Region 7 Officer and 2021 – 2022 State Vice President of Membership; and Brynley Jones, 2020 – 2021 National Vice President of Public**

At the 2021 State Leadership Conference, Aspen Mitchell was elected to serve as the Georgia FCCLA State Vice President of Membership. Aspen's election as a state officer marked 27 consecutive years that the Houston County High School Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) has had a student representative elected to serve on the Region, State, and/or National level. A leadership legacy of this caliber is a fete that is known by no other FCCLA chapter within the state.

Not only was Aspen elected to serve as the State Vice President of Membership at the 2021 State Leadership Conference, Houston County High School FCCLA's National Vice President of Public Relations, Brynley Jones, and State Vice President of Competitive Events, Madeline Hagemann, both exemplified leadership in their current positions as a state and national officer as they led FCCLA members in virtual sessions throughout the conference. Brynley and Maddy were also recognized for their commitment and success as officers and were awarded several officer awards chosen by the Georgia FCCLA State Staff, including Gold Level State Officer Scholarship Awards for both Brynley and Madeline and the FCCLA Officer of the Year Award awarded to Brynley Jones.

HCHS FCCLA is proud of Brynley, Madeline, and Aspen for their leadership and drive to move Georgia FCCLA forward in leadership positions as officers and carry on the HCHS FCCLA leadership legacy.

For more information on Georgia FCCLA, visit [www.gafccla.com](http://www.gafccla.com).

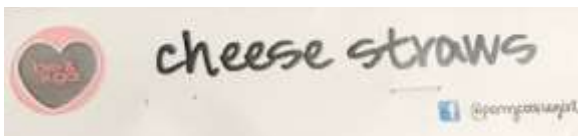
# Youth Apprenticeship Program

Perry High School Senior, Brenley Fouse



On Saturday, March 6, 2021, Brenley Fouse, head baker for her Love and Sugar company, sold tasty baked good and made fresh crepes to order at the Perry Farmers' Market on Ball Street in Perry. Brenley is a senior at Perry High School and a part of the Youth Apprenticeship Program. Her business is a cottage licensed, Georgia Grown bakery specializing in pound cakes, cheese straws, cinnamon rolls, cookies and more. Everything is made from scratch in small batches and made with quality ingredients.

Sandi Couillard, Houston County Schools Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator, attended the event. The cheese straws and lemon cookies she purchased were amazing and beautifully packaged. Brenley also had special help from her younger sister, Keely, who ran the cutest lemonade stand.



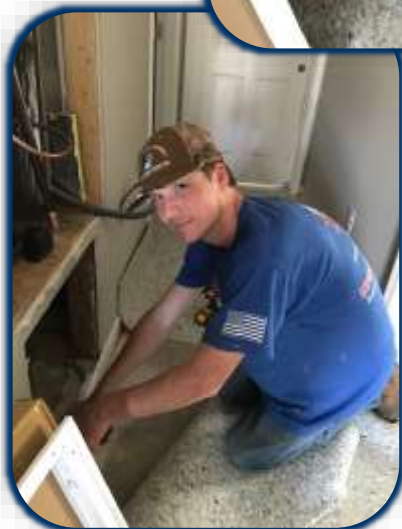
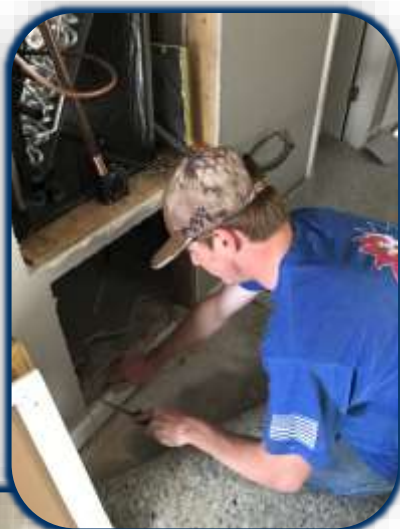
## Youth Apprenticeship Students Gain Valuable Work Experience

Veteran’s High School seniors, Chandler Brown and Forrest Wilson, gain valuable work experience as a part of the Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP). Houston County Schools Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator, Sandi Couillard, has enjoyed watching her students grow in their knowledge and experience in their skilled trades’ jobs.

Second year YAP student, Chandler Brown, works for Southern Comfort Cooling. On the job he utilizes knowledge and skills learned in his Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) classes at the Houston County Career Academy. Chandler has worked more than 730 hours in since joining YAP and earned his EPA 608 Certification, which qualifies him as a Youth Apprenticeship Pathway Completer. According to company owner Chadwick Jones, “Chandler is a great employee who is currently working to broaden his HVAC technical abilities. He is very pleasant to be around and is a great asset to our team.” Upon graduation from high school, Chandler plans to work full time for Southern Comfort Cooling.

First year YAP student, Forrest Wilson, works for Speir and Associates. On the job, he utilizes the knowledge and skills gained in his Industrial Maintenance courses at Houston County Career Academy. According to Jerry Ward, Speir Safety, Forrest is “very intelligent and works very hard.” Upon graduation from high school, Forrest plans to attend ABAC to pursue farming.

Chandler  
Brown



Forrest  
Wilson



## Youth Apprenticeship Students Gaining Valuable Work Experience

On March 19, 2021, Houston County Schools Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) Coordinator, Sandi Couillard, visited the worksites of her students Marley Lindsey and Andrew Grant to see them in action on the job.

Marley is a senior at Northside High School who took healthcare classes at Houston County Career Academy. She works at the Rehoboth Volunteer Dental Clinic where she is gaining valuable work experience in her chosen career field of dental hygiene. On the day of the visit, Marley was sterilizing dental instruments under the careful direction of Clinic Coordinator, Tempest Raines. Upon graduation, Marley plans to attend Central Georgia Technical College to pursue dental hygiene.

Andrew is Perry High School senior who takes Central Georgia Technical College (CGTC) dual enrolled Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning courses at Houston County Career Academy. He works for Hoke's Heating and Air where he assists as a part of an HVAC installation team. Andrew is on track to earn his Youth Apprenticeship Pathway Completer certificate. Upon graduation, Andrew plans to work full time at Hoke's while also attending CGTC to continue his HVAC coursework.



Sandi Couillard and  
Marley Lindsey



Andrew Grant



**HOKE'S  
HEATING & AIR**

## Veterans High School Senior, Samantha Boedicker



Youth Apprenticeship student, Samantha Boedicker, enjoys her new job with Speir Electric. In her job, she is able to utilize the knowledge and skills acquired in her Central Georgia Technical College dual enrolled Industrial Maintenance classes at Houston County Career Academy. In the picture, she and her work partner, Nathan Maxwell, both seniors at Veterans High School, are preparing wire for installation at the new Centerville Fire Department building.



# Perry Middle School

## PMS FBLA Earns Awards



On March 8, 2021, the Middle Level Future Business Leaders of America held their annual award ceremony. This year, because of COVID restrictions, the ceremony was held virtually. The Perry Middle School FBLA Chapter brought home nine awards this year. Adviser Dr. Diana Phillips expressed her appreciation to all competitors and acknowledged the winners as follows: Melody Phillips – 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Video Public Service Announcement; Melody Phillips – 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Mobile Application Design; Dawson Knight – 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Video Game Design; Camila Arias – 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Multimedia and Website Development; Nela Lopez – 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Desktop Publishing; Madison Pryde – 5<sup>th</sup> place – Computer Applications; Amaya Oliver – 8<sup>th</sup> place – Computer Applications; Brayden Williams – 8<sup>th</sup> place – Invention Convention; and Lillie Phillips – 9<sup>th</sup> place – Desktop Publishing.



Perry Middle School is located at 495 Perry Parkway in Perry, Georgia. Heath Burch serves as Principal.



Mossy Creek  
Middle



Northside  
Middle



Perry  
Middle



Thomson  
Middle



Warner Robins  
Middle



Bonaire  
Middle



Feagin Mill  
Middle



Huntington  
Middle



# Bonaire Middle School

BMS FCCLA Student Voted 2021-2022 Georgia FCCLA State Historian Officer



Avery Salter, a 7th grader at Bonaire Middle School, was voted to be Georgia FCCLA State Historian Officer 2021 - 2022. This is a huge honor. Avery is the only middle school student on the state council this year.

Bonaire Middle School is located at 125 Highway 96 East in Bonaire, Georgia. Allyson Keenom serves as Principal.



# Feagin Mill Middle School

## FMMS FBLA



FMMS FBLA continues to partner with the assisted living facility, Phoenix at Lake Joy. March was Youth Art Month so the chapter provided the residents of Phoenix of Lake Joy an art exhibit, shown below.

The FBLA Chapter had a top 10 winner for Public Speaking, Shagun Dhanak, pictured above.



Feagin Mill Middle School is located at 1200 Feagin Mill Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Mark Sams serves as Principal.

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