



Houston County CTAE: Working to Produce High-Achieving Students

Northside High School

NHS Hosts CTAE Pre-Advisement Night

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On Tuesday, January 24th, Northside High School hosted a CTAE Pre-Advisement night for underclassmen. Principal, Dr. Greg Peavy opened the event with a warm greeting. CTAE Department Chairperson, Sandi Couillard, talked about NHS CTAE course offerings, opportunities to earn graduation honor cords through pathway completion and End-of-Pathway Assessment, and Work-Based Learning opportunities. Kim Gunn of Central Georgia Technical College spoke about dual enrollment opportunities for students. Attendees were invited to the NHS Cafeteria to learn more about the NHS CTAE Department.



All CTAE areas and many Career-Tech Student Organizations (CTSOs) were represented. Chad Simmons, NHS CTAE Administrator also promoted CTAE as he walked about discussing CTAE program areas. The purpose of the event was to help students and their parents gain better understanding of CTAE courses for upcoming night advisement (2017-2018 course selection) to be held March 7th – 9th.



Pictured are (left to right):
Carla Jessup,
Traci Jolley,
Joanna Ramirez (Spanish Dept),
Lisa Mobley-Luke,
Sandi Couillard,
Johnna Spires and
Elaine Tignor

Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins. Dr. Greg Peavy is Principal.



Northside High



Warner Robins High



Houston County High



Perry High



Houston County Career Academy



Veterans High

NHS Hosts CTAE Pre-Advisement Night (Continued)



Carla Jessup



Elaine Tignor



Jill Massee



Johnna Spires and Dana Peck



Sandi Couillard and Dana Peck



Lisa Mobley-Luke

NHS Work-Based Learning Student Highlight



Northside High School senior, Carter Crabb, joined Work-Based Learning just this school year. He is currently working as a cashier at Lowe's on Watson Boulevard. Carter enjoys helping and interacting with people, so his cashiering job is perfect for him. He also uses soft skills and business ethics he learned while enrolled in his business classes.

When asked about Carter's work performance recently, Supervisor Taka Harris said, "Carter is very responsible; a go getter. If all teens could be like him, the world would be a better place. He is an excellent role model for teens and adults alike." Carter is doing a great job, while also preparing to enter the Reserves upon graduating from Northside High this May.



NHS Entrepreneurship Class Hosts Small Business Bazaar

On February 14th, Northside High School students in Sandi Couillard’s Entrepreneurship class held a Small Business Bazaar in the Northside Common’s Area. Entrepreneurship students created their own businesses, completed business plans, produced products or services, and set up their vending booths prior to having students in other business classes come to make purchases with play money. The Bazaar was beneficial to Entrepreneurship students because it allowed them to evaluate their products, pricing, and selling strengths and weaknesses. This was the second year of the Small Business Bazaar and plans are to continue it in the future.



Catlyn Collier and Lauren Godfrey



Tyler Hughes and Tylek Mitchell



Allison Lester and Zanesia Kendrick



Alex Metros and Franklin Davis



Donovan Way, Chico Calvillo, and Jakeira Woodard

Devin Costello and Ashtom Odom



Harley Powers and Brayen Jimenez



Patience Flynn and Elizabeth Almerna



Talicea Amica and Chyna Holmes

Not pictured: Mario Escobar, Jalen Simon, and Traquon Lewis

Warner Robins High School

WRHS AFJROTC Earns Top Rating

The Warner Robins High School AFJROTC (GA-065) had its three-year Headquarter's inspection on January 23rd and earned the highest rating possible, an "Exceeds Standards". Every three years, JROTC units must receive an inspection to determine if the unit is in compliance with Air Force regulations and policies. The Headquarter's evaluator, Paul Keeping, the Deputy Commander of AFJROTC, gave the unit his highest accolades during the inspection. Several areas in particular, the cadet inspection in-brief, the cadet marching 30-count sequence, cadet logistics and information management were noteworthy. The in-brief, presented by six cadets and headed by the Corps Commander (C/Col Diana Matibe) and the Inspector General (C/Lt Col Christian Nobles) was "the best briefing seen out of the units evaluated and should be presented to the school superintendent to show what JROTC does." The thirty-count marching sequence, commanded by C/2Lt Alexander Nelson with twelve cadets following his orders, was "A+." Both logistics (headed by C/Major Ashley Lowry) and information management (headed by C/Major Katelynn Bruce) exceeded standards in all areas and were described as "perfect."



Pictured left to right, Mr. Paul Keeping, C/Capt Ashley Lowry, C/2Lt Alex Nelson, C/Lt Col Christian Nobles, C/Capt Katelynn Bruce, C/Col Diana Matibe and Lt Col Michael Barrett

Though GA-065 has the largest unit in Houston County, with a Corps of 220 cadets, all of its cadets were found to exemplify what the Air Force expects in its cadet corps. GA-065 is overseen by the senior aerospace science instructor, Lt Col Michael Barrett along with non-commissioned officers CMSgt Gerald Alexander and SMSgt Antoine Jackson; however, it is a cadet run organization. As Colonel Barrett explains, "the instructors provide the support, guidance and opportunities for the cadets to achieve success; however, it is entirely up to them on how successful their Corps is going to be. The senior staff takes personal responsibility to guarantee success not only for their final year in the Corps, but to leave a lasting legacy to the next generation of cadets to emulate. This senior group has earned three distinguished unit awards, two exceeds standards inspections and will receive distinguished unit with merit recognition this year. That record is hard to beat." Five cadets earned the Top Performer ribbon presented by Mr. Keeping: C/Col Diana Matibe, C/Lt Col Christian Nobles, C/Major Ashley Lowry, C/Major Katelynn Bruce and C/2Lt Alexander Nelson.

WRHS AFJROTC Earns Top Rating (Continued)



Inspection was held just a month after GA-065 won the annual Houston County JROTC Drill Competition where all five high school JROTCs competed in all aspects of military marching. This year events were divided into armed and unarmed competitions with an overall drill champion as well. Warner Robins AFJROTC came away with 10 of 12 first place trophies and was awarded the overall championship trophy. The drill team is commanded by C/Major Brendan Weidman and the Deputy Commander is C/Capt Clara Politino. The competition within the Houston County JROTC units instills excellence in all they do.



Pictured left to right: C/Col David Rhoden, C/2Lt Chandler Nobles, C/Lt Col Christian Nobles, C/Capt Ashley Lowry, C/2Lt Blake Perry, C/2Lt Alex Nelson, C/Lt Col Landon Bruce, C/Col Diana Matibe, C/Major Brendan Weidman and C/1Lt Aundria Barnes.

Warner Robins High School is located at 401 South Davis Drive in Warner Robins. Mr. Chris McCook is Principal.

WRHS FBLA Competes at Region Leadership Conference

More than 250 of Central Georgia's best and brightest high school students traveled to Wesleyan College to shine with the Top Future Business Leaders and showcase their talents as they competed for the opportunity to win and advance to state competition.

The Georgia Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Region 5 Leadership Conference was held January 27th at Wesleyan College in Macon. Participants from across central Georgia attended this exciting conference to enhance their business skills, expand their networks, and participate in more than 30 business and business-related competitive events.

Several students from Warner Robins High School received region recognition at the Awards of Excellence Program.



WRHS FBLA Region Competitors



Christian Nobles



Barbara Reigel

WRHS FBLA Competes at Region Leadership Conference (Continued)

Student Name	Place	Event
Daija Claiborne	4th	Business Communications *Qualified for State
Alexis Bruce	2nd	Business Communications *Qualified for State
Lo'Niqa Scott	5th	Computer Applications
Samuel Gregory	10th	Economics *Qualified for State
Nicholas Loudermilk	1st	Graphic Design *Qualified for State
Barbara Reigel and Natalie Smith	1st	Hospitality Management *Qualified for State
Kyele Brown	6th	Introduction to Financial Math *Qualified for State
Oliver Hinton	5th	Introduction to Financial Math *Qualified for State
Abriana Wilson	8th	Introduction to Information Technology *Qualified for State
Michael Brady-Pittmon, Kaleb Kushinka, and Phillip Lattimer	4th	Management Information Systems
Travis Kirkland and Juleus Smith	5th	Network Design
Christian Nobles	5th	Organizational Leadership *Qualified for State
Trenton Irving and Joshua Thrift	2nd	Publication Design
Antwan Mainor	4th	Spreadsheet Applications
Megan Brown	3rd	Website Design
Madison Johnson and Baylee Jump	4th	Business Ethics
Nicholas Loudermilk	3rd	Client Service *Qualified for State
Barbara Reigel	4th	Client Service
Kyele Brown	5th	Impromptu Speaking
Betty Gonzalez	5th	Introduction to Business Presentation
Christian Nobles	2nd	Job Interview *Qualified for State
Xavier McIntyre	5th	Public Speaking 1



These awards are part of a comprehensive national competitive events program sponsored by FBLA-PBL that recognizes and rewards excellence in a broad range of business and career-related areas. In addition to competitions, students immersed themselves in interactive workshops and heard from motivational speakers on a broad range of business topics.

Stephanie Dale and Ryan VanDalinda serve as the Warner Robins High School FBLA Advisers. Heath Burch serves as the CTAE School Supervisor.



WRHS FBLA Participates in CTSO Expo Day at the Capital

Warner Robins High School FBLA president, Natalie Smith, and Adviser, Stephanie Dale, joined with several other CTSO Chapters and Advisers to celebrate the 2017 CTSO Expo at the State Capitol. Governor Deal issued a proclamation recognizing February as Career and Technical Education Month in Georgia and February 9th as Career and Technical Student Organization Day at the State Capitol. Natalie and Miss Dale took time to meet with several State Legislators at the Capitol to discuss the value of Career and Technical Education (CTE) and to encourage more support for CTE and other education and workforce development programs. They meet with State Representative Heath Clark, State Representative Shaw Blackmon, and State Senator Larry Walker.

CTE delivers real-world training and skills development to more than 94 percent of America's secondary school students and over eight million postsecondary students. Now, more than ever, the nation must build an investment in CTE to prepare our nation's workforce for 21st century careers. CTE programs are expanding and changing across the country to meet the needs of employers, students and communities, and teachers and administrators are challenged to effectively advocate for resources and support on the local, state and federal levels.



Rep. Heath Clark, Stephanie Dale,
and Natalie Smith



Stephanie Dale, Rep. Shaw Blackmon,
and Natalie Smith



Stephanie Dale,
Natalie Smith, and
Sen. Larry Walker

WRHS FBLA Celebrates FBLA Week

Warner Robins High School Business Students and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) celebrated FBLA Week during February 5th - 11th. FBLA-PBL sets aside the second full week of February, each year, as National FBLA-PBL Week. Chapters are encouraged to use this time to publicize their activities and successes, boost their membership, and gear up for their spring activities. Each day had a special focus to help get members excited to participate, nationally, during FBLA-PBL Week!

The following activities were hosted at WRHS:

February 5th – Share Your FBLA Story Day – members were encouraged to share his/her FBLA story on social media.

February 6th – National President’s Forum & Fight to the Finish Kick off FBLA-PBL Week with the National President’s Forum. All three division national presidents (FBLA, PBL, and Professional Division) hosted a live Google Hangout to kick off FBLA-PBL Week. Have you completed the four levels of the Business Achievement Awards (BAA)? ”Fight to the Finish” contest recognized the top 10 states with the most Business Achievement Awards completed.



February 7th - Each One Reach One/Wear Purple for Preemies Day – each member was encouraged to talk with peers and community members about FBLA experiences. Also, members wore Purple for Preemies (pictured above) to increase awareness for FBLA’s National Service Partner March of Dimes.

February 8th –Adviser/Teacher Appreciation Day – members brought in after school snacks to share with the WRHS faculty and staff.

February 9 - Professional Attire Day - members were encouraged to show off his/her professionalism by dressing for success (pictured at right).



WRHS FBLA Celebrates FBLA Week (continued)

February 10th – FBLA-PBL Pride Day – members wore his/her FBLA t-shirt to show their pride.

February 15th – Community Service Day – pictured below, members participated in a campus clean-up.



Houston County High School

HCHS FCCLA Partners with the Salvation Army



Houston County High School FCCLA members partnered with the Salvation Army to purchase items to fill over 200 Christmas stockings with gifts for local children in need. Through this service project, hundreds of children were able to experience the joy that the holiday season brings. The FCCLA members involved with the project were enthusiastic to help serve others.



Houston County High School is located at 920 Highway 96 in Warner Robins. Dr. Doug Rizer is Principal.

HCHS Teacher Attends GATFACS Conference



Shonda McFadden recently attended the Georgia Association of Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences (GATFACS) annual conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. McFadden serves on the GATFACS Board of Directors and is President Elect. She teaches the Early Childhood Education Pathway at Houston County High School and serves as director of Little Bears Preschool. Pictured is the 2016-2017 GATFACS Board of Directors.

Cultural Diversity in Houston County is Promoted with Passport Around the World



Houston County High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) members and Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) classes recently partnered with ESOL teachers at Perdue Primary School and Perdue Elementary School to host Passport Around the World.

The event, which took place at Houston County High School in January, introduced students to the many diverse cultures that are present within the county. At a time where there are many issues appearing in the media regarding cultural misunderstandings, this event presented an excellent opportunity to enlighten young children and their families about diversity, cultural acceptance, and support for the community.

Maryah Booker, a Houston County High School FCCLA member, said, “It was exciting to see the young children from Perdue Primary and Perdue Elementary Schools getting involved with the different countries that they visited during Passport Around the World. The children were dancing, trying new foods, and having fun participating in the different activities. You could definitely see that the children were enjoying learning about new cultures.”

Not only did the event provide information about the various cultures that make up the diversity of Houston County, but Passport Around the World also presented information from non-profit organizations within the area. These organizations were present to inform those in attendance about resources and opportunities for those in need. Some of the non-profit groups that were present at the event included Habitat for Humanity and Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency.

Houston County High School FCCLA member, Lawson Smith, remarked, “The adults that attended with their children were also provided with a great learning opportunity. Many did not know about the resources available to help those in need within our area. Also, the adults were amazed by how many different cultures make up the population of Houston County. This event was important for everyone that played a part in it because cultural awareness and acceptance is important for all ages to strengthen our community.”

Over 600 attendees were able to gain cultural awareness and appreciation by participating in Passport Around the World this year. Houston County High School FCCLA hopes to continue their involvement with the event and see it grow and continue to impact the community even more in future years.

Pictured is Houston County High School Student, Amanda Rivera-Martinez as she highlights her Puerto Rican culture to two students from Perdue Primary.



HCHS FCCLA Students Attend National Cluster Meeting in Orlando, Florida

The Houston County High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter and nearly two thousand youth members and adult advisers recently gathered in Orlando, Florida for the annual National Cluster Meeting. This meeting provided FCCLA members with opportunities to compete in career-applicable skill demonstration competitions ranging from interviewing skills and impromptu speaking to technology used in teaching. Youth teams also participated in events that challenged their knowledge in personal finance, consumer responsibilities, technology, health & safety, and more. By attending NCM, Houston County High School students were given opportunities to demonstrate skills they have learned through FCCLA, while also exposing them to a new city, cultures, and situations that they may encounter in their colleges and careers.

The Houston County High School Knowledge Bowl Team placed first in their competition. The team advanced to the National Life Smarts Competition to be held in Nashville, Tennessee in July of 2017. Members of the knowledge bowl team are Shewta Patel, Desiree Singleton, Emory Jolley, Marcus Milton and Rod Michael.

The students also participated in a community service activity. They assembled toiletry bags for homeless teens. "It felt really great to know we were giving back to other teenagers," stated chapter member Wahomie Muriuki.



Pictured above are chapter members assembling toiletry bags. Rod Michael, Elizabeth Deal, Nikita Shetty, Illiana Esquivel, Alyssa Howell, Wahome Muriuki and Morgan Shepard.



Houston County Career Academy

HCCA Teaching as a Profession Student Continues Her Loads of Love Event



It's Friday evening, and Caroline Gowan, 16, is doing her favorite weekend activity. She's standing hanging out at her neighborhood laundromat.

"It's a great thing to do on a Friday night," she said.

The second Friday of every month, Gowan brings quarters, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, and more to pay for strangers to be able to wash their clothes. Families often bring trash bags full of dirty clothes. Gowan and other volunteers from her church work together to wash and fold it all.

She calls it Loads of Love.

It started as a 6-month Girl Scout project when Gowan was 14. Gowan's mom, Michelle, told her not everyone could afford to buy a washer and dryer, and expenses at the laundromat quickly add up. Gowan decided she wanted to do something to help.

Gowan had so much fun washing clothes and meeting people in her community that once the Girl Scout project was complete, she partnered with her church to keep the free washes going.

"It's taught me to have compassion. A lot of compassion for other people, and to be thankful, because we are so blessed," Gowan says, her eyes filling with tears.

When she started the project, she thought she'd be helping homeless people. She was surprised to find out that it was mostly people who had jobs, but were barely getting by, who needed her help.

"Some people judge others on the way they look, or the way they smell or the way they act," Gowan says. "They can be a great person in dirty clothes. So they can come here, and get their clothes washed."

Her idea is quickly spreading. People in other cities in Georgia and Alabama have already started their own version of Loads of Love. After nearly two years, Gowan wants to keep her event going for as long as possible.

"What do I like to call it?" she asks out loud. "Come in with dirty clothes, leave with a renewed spirit."

HCCA SkillsUSA Students Participate in Region Competition



Congratulations to the Houston County Career Academy Move On When Ready SkillsUSA Participants. They competed in eight categories and placed in five. Skylar Golden, 1st Place in Job Skill Demonstration Open (Blunt Hair Cut); John King, 1st Place in Job Skill Demonstration A (Oil Change); Bryant Carlson, 2nd Place in Automotive Service, Leilani Hernandez, 2nd Place in First Aid/CRP (Public Safety), and Jared Oberlin, 3rd Place in Welding.



Houston County Robotics Team Gets Ready for Upcoming FIRST Robotics Competition Season



The Houston County Robotics Team, known as the Flying Legion 3635, is getting ready for the upcoming FIRST Robotics Competition Season. This year's robotics competition is called: FIRST STEAMWORKS. In this robotics competition, students design a robot to collect miniature balls and place them into a steam boiler. The alliance that scores the most points wins the round of competition. Alliances are composed of three robots each and two alliances go head-to-head at once. This robotics competition builds comradery among different teams and it builds upon the steps of the engineering design process. No two robots in this competition are built the same; thus, this fosters a sense of creativity and critical thinking.

In the FIRST Robotics Competition, high school-aged teams compete head-to-head on a special playing field with robots they have designed, built, and programmed. Working with adult mentors and teachers, students have six weeks to design, build, program, and test their robots to meet the season's engineering challenge. Once these young inventors build a robot, their teams will participate in one or more of the Regional and District events that measure the effectiveness of each robot, the power of collaboration and the determination of students.

The Houston County Robotics Team is led by William Smith, Jr., an engineering teacher at the Houston County Career Academy, and by Tom Stahl, a physics teacher at Northside High School. The Houston County Robotics Team is composed of high school students from Warner Robins High School, Northside High School, Houston County High School, and Veterans High School.

The Houston County Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins. Sabrina Phelps serves as Principal. For more information, contact the Director of Career, Technical and Agricultural Education, David McDermott, at 478-988-6222, ext. 10226 or david.mcdermott@hcbe.net.

HCCA HOSA Spotlights Chip-N Away At Heart Disease



Houston County Career Academy students learned about heart disease and its effects on the human body. Cynthia Malone, wife of the late Chip Malone, was guest speaker. After being diagnosed with heart disease, Mr. Malone received a heart transplant at St. Joseph's Hospital in Atlanta, GA.

The transplant allowed him to live a normal life until he developed a serious infection. Not only did Mrs. Malone discuss heart disease, she also talked about the importance of becoming an organ and tissue donor. She travels around Central Georgia, bringing awareness to the signs and symptoms of heart disease, which differ in men and women. She spoke at

length about her husband's transplant and the pre and post-operative care he received. Mrs. Malone was very passionate about sharing her testimony with the students. The students were attentive and asked several questions. Faculty and students wore red in support of women and heart disease.



HCCA FCCLA Shares the Love of Cooking



During the month of February, Houston County Career Academy FCCLA, shared the love of cooking by whipping up New York style cheesecakes, chocolate covered strawberries and rose chocolate lollipops. Through this event, the Culinary Arts students learned to create invoices, working together, and product presentation. The students were able to use their creative abilities by using different culinary method and working with chocolate.

Chef Suni Wilson leads the Culinary Arts department.



HCCA Culinary Arts Class Provides Catering for Ribbon Cutting of Industrial Maintenance Program



Pictured, left to right, are: Maddi Wooten (NHS), Brandon Crisp (VHS), Miranda Hoffman (HCHS), Chef Wilson, Kimsey Joyner (NHS) and Destine Chatman (NHS)

On February 7th, Houston County Career Academy's Culinary Arts Pathway had the honor of catering the opening of the Industrial Maintenance ribbon cutting. This event gave the Culinary Arts students the opportunity to experience making different food as well as working for a client from start to finish, from the ordering process to seeing the outcome of the event. This event showed the students why it is important to have pride in their work.

Culinary student, Destine Chatman, said, "This year's culinary events are so much fun; they are helping me gain experience and improving my communication skills when talking to people." Kimsey Joyner, also a culinary student, said, "This major event helped me grow and allowed me to see what it is like to work in an industry setting. It taught me how important team work is and what it means to cook outside the box."

Culinary Arts students are pictured at right, busily prepping for the catering event.



VHS FCCLA Students Attend FCCLA Day at the Capitol



Pictured from left to right are: (front row) Alex Czoka, Ashley Williams, Makaela Fitzwater, Kasey Crumley, (back row) Antonette Young, Cheyenne Collins, Christina Palmer, Makayla Ogden, Savannah Daniel, and Annie Ervin

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) members from Veterans High School joined other FCCLA chapters from across the state for FCCLA Day at the Capitol on February 14th as part of their FCCLA Week.

FCCLA Day at the Capitol is designed to stress the importance of being a young leader in their families, careers and communities. The purpose was to meet with Georgia representatives and senators about Family and Consumer Science, FCCLA and Career Technical Education. The members attending had the opportunity to tour the capitol and learn about Georgia history.

Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road Kathleen, GA.

Donna Brown is the FCCLA Adviser. Chris Brown is the Principal, and Sherry Johnson is the CTAE Supervisor.

For more information about FCCLA , visit www.gafccla.com.

VHS FFA Agricultural Sales Team Becomes 2017 State Champions

The Veterans High School FFA's Agricultural Sales Team finished as State Champions at The Georgia FFA Association's State Career Development Event Day at Fort Valley State University. Team members had to sell agricultural products to a panel of judges in the individual sales portion, complete a test about the selling process, and design a sales program in a team activity.

The team included, (left to right), Hunter Caudle, Landon Ritchie, Channing Ferguson (3rd high individual) and Ashley Derr (2nd high individual).



Clay Walker and Jeff Wilson are the Ag teachers at VHS.

Celebrating 100 Years of Career and Technical Education

2017 marks the 100 year anniversary of the Smith-Hughes National Vocational Education Act, the Federal Government's first investment in secondary Career and Technical Education (CTE). It is important to acknowledge the transformation of CTE and the ever-expanding opportunities for today's students. The Houston County Career, Technical and Agricultural Education Program took time to celebrate CTE's centennial by having Houston County CTAE Instructors share "What CTAE Means to me." The following are responses from instructors:

"CTAE is the backbone of preparing students for the workforce of the 21st century. CTAE provides the skills and knowledge for students to be successful in today's careers. Without CTAE, there would not be a viable workforce."

"CTAE means being prepared for a career and being set up for a successful future. CTAE means gaining skills in teamwork, communication, leadership, and service through the co-curricular component of CTSO's. It also means taking students and developing them into workforce leaders by teaching them career and life skills today for a more promising tomorrow."

"CTAE is the vehicle that adds skills to a student's academic experience so they can be more college and career ready."

"CTAE is 'where the rubber meets the road!' Necessary life skills that prepare you for a job and career after Graduation!"

"Teaching students skills that they can use in the real world, soft skills, financial skills, accounting, and life lessons, relationships with others. Co-curricular involvement, making the whole person that can transition from school to work."

"It means preparation of students for the work world with a set of specific job skills as well as soft skills. It means development of leadership experience and the opportunity to earn career credentials as well as awards."

Local Leaders Attend State Leadership Conference

On February 9th and 10th David McDermott (Houston County Career Technical Director) and Sabrina Phelps (Houston County Career Academy's principal) attended Georgia's College and Career Academies CEO workshop in Atlanta at the State Capitol.

Many topics were discussed at the two day conference including, "Understanding Student Data Coding and Understanding Teacher Certification." State leaders including Lt. Casey Cagle, Lou Erste (Associate Superintendent for Policy, Charter Schools, District Flexibility and Government Affairs, GA DOE) and Dr. Barbara Wall (State CTAE Director) addressed the group.



Huntington Middle School

HMS FCCLA Makes Pillows for Local Hospitals



Members of the Huntington Middle School chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders (FCCLA) recently helped to make pillows for the ICU Ministry of Byron, GA. The ICU Ministry donates approximately 100 bags a month to local hospitals. Bags include a pillow, toiletry items, magazines, and a blanket. Pictured with HMS FCCLA members is Charlotte Penny of the ICU Ministry.

Huntington Middle School is located at 206 Wellborn Road in Warner Robins. Dr. Gwendolyn Taylor is Principal.



Thomson Middle

Warner Robins Middle

Bonaire Middle

Feagin Mill Middle

Huntington Middle

Mossy Creek Middle

Northside Middle

Perry Middle

Middle School FCCLA Students Attend FCCLA Day at the Capitol



Youth from Bonaire Middle School, Huntington Middle School, Northside Middle School and Warner Robins Middle School chapters of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) joined over 2,500 members at the Georgia State Capitol for FCCLA Week and FCCLA Day at the Capitol on February 15th.

The FCCLA Day at the Capitol is designed to stress the importance of being a young leader in their families, careers and communities. The purpose was to meet with Georgia representatives and senators about Career, Technical and Agricultural Education, Family and Consumer Sciences and FCCLA. Students had the opportunity to tour the capitol and learn about Georgia history. The group was able to meet Shaw Blackmon, one of Houston County's representatives and Representative Robert Dickey of Muesella.

Chapter advisers are Holly Shepard (BMS), Melanie Bratcher (HMS), Ginger Caldwell (NMS), and Amanda Hayes (WRMS).



Perry Middle School

PMS TSA Students Attend Leadership Conference



Technology Student Association (TSA) members from Perry Middle School attended the Jekyll Island, GA- TSA Leadership Conference (Leadercon) from November 11-13, 2016. While at the conference, students participated in the Armada (Handmade Boat) competition, and various technology workshops.

Pictured (left to right): Keithan Nance, Jaylen Watts, Jalen Johnson, Bryson Wallace, Alex Michael Kennedy, George Ramirez, Madison Padgett, Micah Beflower, Robert Chase Harrison, and Anthony J. Christian-Wilson

PMS TSA Students Learn From College Academic Outreach STEM Team

Georgia College and State University's Academic Outreach STEM Team visited Perry Middle School's Technology Student Association (TSA) group to share STEM activities on February 1st. The STEM Team shared different types of animal skin, skulls, and claws with the Perry Middle School students.



Perry Middle School is located at 495 Perry Parkway in Perry. Thomas Moore is Principal.

Perry Middle School's TSA members

PMS TSA Students Learn From College Academic Outreach STEM Team (continued)



Georgia College and State University's Academic Outreach STEM team students and Ruth Eilers, STEM Outreach Coordinator, visits Perry Middle School's Technology Student Association (TSA).

PMS Students Participate in STARBASE 2.0

Currently, thirty students participate in the STARBASE 2.0 Robotic Program at Perry Middle School. STARBASE 2.0- Department of Defense afterschool mentoring club that focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) activities, team building, goal setting, robotics and programming for two hours every Monday. Perry Middle School's STARBASE 2.0 program has been featured on the local news. Mentors from the Museum of Aviation and Robins Air Force Base work with PMS students. Students are currently designing model rovers for Mars, Programming with C++ while using Arduino Projects, and using Tinker CAD 3-D Design.



Perry Middle School's STARBASE 2.0 Mentors: Jacqueline Bowman, Benita Blackwell, 2LT Dart Collins and Richard Stewart.



Perry Middle School's Robotics Team participated in the Middle Georgia Regional FIRST LEGO League. The Lego Competition was held at Byron Middle School on December 10, 2016. Team members are pictured above, (front row) Alex Kennedy, Brandon Shaw, Zion Tookes Joshua Goff, (back row) Kody Ellis, Bryson Wallace, River Thorne and Alfonte Thomas, (not pictured) Ramsey McDonald and Anthony Christian-Wilson.

PMS FBLA Wins Awards at Region Leadership Conference



Perry Middle School FBLA participated in the Region Leadership Conference on January 27th. The information below recognizes the great job by these students.

Abigail Phillips	Region	1st	Employability Skills
Laura Lee	Region	1st	Intro to Business Communication
Malaysia Ford	Region	1st	Invention Convention
Leah Kears	Region	1st	Marketing Concepts
Kaylee Stone	Region	2nd	Employability Skills
Chapter Award	Region	2nd	Largest Local Chapter Membership
Hannah Payne	Region	3rd	Business Concepts
Hannah Payne	Region	3rd	Marketing Concepts
Diamond Barrett	Region	5th	Business Concepts
Victoria Harrison	Region	5th	Career Exploration
Abigail Phillips	Region	5th	Microsoft Office Concepts
Kendra Everette	Region	5th	Parliamentary Procedures



Adult Computer Classes Offered

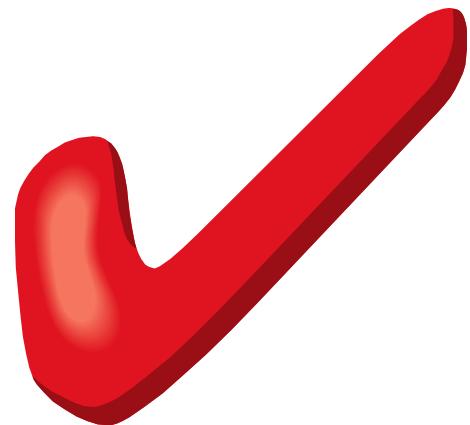
Houston County School System employees offered basic computer classes free of charge to our adult community in October. **All classes were taught from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** There was no cost for these classes. To sign up for classes, please call Lorrie Nix at 478-988-6222 ext.10090. For questions related to these classes other than registration, contact David McDermott at 478-988-6222 ext. 10226.

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3. Submit only one ***brief description*** and accompanying picture(s) per email.
4. Submit by the 5th of each month.
5. Submit to lorrie.nix@hcbe.net



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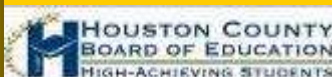
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