



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

# Houston County Career Academy

## CTAE Teacher Named Teacher of the Year

### What's Inside

Congratulations to Candace Hollingshed for being selected to serve as the Houston County Career Academy (HCCA) 2021 - 2022 Teacher of the Year. Ms. Hollingshed is the Audio Video Technology and Film Instructor at HCCA. Houston County Career Academy feels fortunate to have this outstanding teacher as part of their school family.



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



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## Central Georgia Technical College Expands Dual Enrollment Aerospace Program

Central Georgia Technical College is preparing students for a bright future, and that includes attracting students into its Aircraft Structural Technology Dual Enrollment Program. Students will earn both high school and college credit. Formerly, it was open to Bibb and Houston counties, but now the program is expanding across Central Georgia. The program is opening Fall 2021 for students in 12 counties --Baldwin, Bibb, Bleckley, Crawford, Dooly, Houston, Jones, Peach, Pulaski, Putnam, Monroe, and Twiggs.



For Perry High School senior, Gavin Teal, (pictured at left), this program means he could get a jump-start on a future career. "I'm grateful because mainly, you can go to high school and get something up under your belt at the exact same time," said Teal. Teal says he encourages other kids to sign up. He wants to attend Central Georgia Tech and eventually get his pilot license. "I absolutely love it. I don't really want to get out -- I'm probably not going to. I want to get my degree in it, and continue in the future," said Teal.

Cameron Craven feels the same way. He graduated from Houston County High School last year. He's now a college student at Central Georgia Tech. "The biggest thing is just being hands-on and learning just new equipment and new tools, and it's helped me in day-to-day life," said Craven.



Students will get technical training in aircraft structural assembly skills that can be applied in the workforce. They will take the classes at The Central Georgia Aerospace Training and Sustainment Center in Macon.

According to Kim Gunn, the Director for High School Initiatives at Central Georgia Tech (pictured at right), there is a need for more people in this career field. "So they're going to be employable, whether they go to Robins Air Force Base or Embraer, or Delta, Gulfstream, we've got so much aviation and aerospace industry in Georgia that we were hoping that this program is really going to help meet that need," said Gunn. Students can earn an Aircraft Assembly Tech certificate from this program. Students interested in signing up for this class can contact their school counselor.



Participants attending the Aircraft Structural Parent Night were welcomed by Dr. Ivan Allen, President of Central Georgia Technical College and Dean Mike Engel (pictured above at left). Brigadier General Jennifer Hammerstedt (pictured at left), addressed the group by sharing information about employment opportunities at Robins Air Force Base.



# Veterans High School

## VHS Meats Evaluation and Technology Teams Win Both State FFA Championships



Senior Meats Team (left to right) are: Brenton Davis, Madison Jones, Robin Hargett, and Evan Bussell.

Veterans High School FFA Senior Meats team won the Georgia FFA Association's State Meats Evaluation and Technology finals. The team consisted of Evan Bussell, Robin Hargett, Maddie Jones, and Brenton Davis. Students were required to identify cuts of beef, pork, and lamb, place wholesale cuts, yield and quality grade carcasses, perform a problem solving

scenario, and take a written test. Along with the team winning first place, Evan Bussell was recognized as the state High Individual scorer and Robin Hargett as the state 2nd High Individual scorer. These students will have the opportunity to represent Georgia at the National FFA Convention in October 2021.

The FFA Junior Meats team also competed at State finals and placed first. Team members include Courtney Street, Will Jackson, Leia Odom, and Sydney Snyder. Courtney Street was recognized for the State High Individual scorer and Leia Odom as the 2nd High Individual scorer. These students were asked to identify cuts of beef, pork, and lamb, place classes of wholesale and retail cuts, take a written exam, and answer questions on placing classes.

Jeff Wilson, FFA Adviser, stated that he was very proud of this team for fighting through all the adversity that this year has brought.

Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road, Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Amy Barbour serves as Principal, Dr. Sherry Johnson serves as the CTAE Supervisor, and FFA Advisers are Jeff Wilson and Dr. Clay Walker.



Junior Meats Team (left to right) are: Courtney Street, Will Jackson, Sydney Snyder, and Leia Odom (2nd high individual)

# Northside High School

## Northside High School Student Earns Three Microsoft Office Specialist Certifications



Greg Bailes, a Senior at Northside High School, has earned not one, not two, but three Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certifications in the areas of PowerPoint, Excel, and Word 2016. These certifications provide him with in-demand skills and credentials that can lead him to many successful employment opportunities. These certifications are the industry leading assessment of a student's skills and knowledge through project-based testing. Greg plans to go even further to pursue the next level of certifications which are called the "Expert level." Next year, he plans to attain certification as an Access Expert, Word Expert, and Excel Expert. Greg's accomplishments will give him a competitive edge in today's increasingly competitive employment arena. Greg epitomizes the high expectations of Northside High School and the advantages of Career and Technical Education.

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



# Houston County High School

## HCHS FBLA Succeeds at Virtual State Leadership Conference



Pictured (left to right) are: Youjin Chung, Bayabya Joshi, Vincent Tran, Jane Lee, Seyanna Castro, Kaylen Aguilar, Jimmy Vu, Khushi Patel, Cheluchi Nwagbata, Jahzara Taylor, Daniel Grigsby, Deborah Jacklin, Lukas Kriechbaum, Rumi Lee, Melissa Do, and Haley Raymond.

On March 23, 2021 Houston County High School held their Virtual State Leadership Conference. The conference was a celebration and culmination of their efforts competing virtually in testing, performance, and case study events. During the conference, the students participated in virtual workshops which included professional speech training, business workshops, college guidance, and real world applications, and even stress management.

After a full day of socially distanced workshops, fellowship, and learning, the chapter held a watch party in the afternoon for the Awards of Excellence

program. They were able to see their advisers honored and a special thank you to the FBLA Board of Directors including their own adviser, Jenny Jackson, who serves as the Southwest Area Director and Chair-Elect. The Chapter was honored as a Top 25 Superior GOLD Chapter and 7<sup>th</sup> place in Georgia for Chapter of the Year. Lukas Kriechbaum was named the Who's Who in FBLA Scholarship winner for Region 5. Melissa Do was elected to the 2021-2022 State Executive Council as the Southwest Area Vice President. The four students who qualified for Nationals are looking forward to competing virtually this summer.

The following members placed in the top ten in their events for state:

Lukas Kriechbaum – Who's Who in FBLA Scholarship Winner – Region 5  
 Jane Lee – 4<sup>th</sup> place - Accounting – Qualified for Nationals  
 Rumi Lee – 1<sup>st</sup> place – Advertising – Qualified for Nationals  
 Vincent Tran – 4<sup>th</sup> place – Cyber Security – Qualified for Nationals  
 Hailey O'Neal – 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Intro to FBLA – Qualified for Nationals  
 Youjin Chung and Melissa Do – 10<sup>th</sup> place – Banking & Financial Systems  
 Kaylen Aguilar and Haley Raymond – 9<sup>th</sup> place – Broadcast Journalism  
 Youjin Chung and Melissa Do – 10<sup>th</sup> place – Business Ethics  
 Angela Tran – 7<sup>th</sup> place – Health Care Administration  
 Deborah Jacklin – 5<sup>th</sup> place – Intro to Parliamentary Procedure  
 Jahzara Taylor – 8<sup>th</sup> place – Intro to Public Speaking  
 Daniel Grigsby and Cheluchi Nwagbata – 8<sup>th</sup> place – Marketing  
 Jimmy Vu – 10<sup>th</sup> place – Public Service Announcement  
 Seyanna Castro – 10<sup>th</sup> place – Public Speaking

Principal of Houston County High School is Dr. Douglas Rizer. FBLA Advisers are Jenny Jackson, Ashley Deloach, LaTasha Davis, and Sheila Jones. CTAE Supervisor is Karma Hayes. Houston County High School is located at 920 Highway 96 in Warner Robins, Georgia.



# Perry High School

## Perry High FCCLA Wins at State

Perry High FCCLA STAR event competitors competed in four different events at the FCCLA State Leadership Conference. The competitions and the conference were all held virtually this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. Perry High FCCLA competitors attended the virtual conference together from Camp John Hope in Fort Valley, Georgia. The three day event was a unique bonding experience for this talented group of students. On the final day of the conference competition awards were announced during the STAR event recognition session. Perry High FCCLA is proud to report that all four competitions received a gold medal and advanced to the National Competition in Nashville, Tennessee this summer.

The competition winners are as follows:

- Parliamentary Procedures Level 2 team members include:  
Amelia Kelly, Sara Ford, Summer Smith and Jersey Wright - 1st place
- Parliamentary Procedures Level 3 team members include:  
Sophia DiSarli, Karla Arias, Chyna Lester, Savannah McKleroy, Tyasjia Hooten and Damon Negron - 2nd place
- Food Innovations Level 3 include:  
Janna Young - 2nd place
- Food Innovations Level 2 include:  
Gracie Svoboda - 1st place

Students pictured, left to right, are:  
Karla Arias, Summer Smith, Chyna Lester, Savannah McKleroy, Sophia Di Sarli, Amelia Kelly, Janna Young, Damon Negron (back row), Gracie Svoboda, Sara Ford, Jersey Wright and Tyasjia Hooten (front row).



Advisers Kama Beaumarchais and Crystal Quick are so proud of these competitors. They are living proof that hard work and dedication truly does pay off. All competitors will attend in-person at the Hybrid National Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee this summer.

Perry High School is located at 1307 North Avenue in Perry, Georgia. Wesley "Del" Martin serves as Principal.

# Youth Apprenticeship Program

## Students Benefit from Youth Apprenticeship Program

Houston County High School junior, Peyton Barfield, is one of a select group of students selected by the Houston County Board of Education (HCBE) to work as paid teacher interns. To qualify for this opportunity, Peyton completed Erin Morton's Teaching as a Profession pathway at Houston County Career Academy (HCCA). She also interviewed with a panel of interviewers consisting of a current educator, a retired educator, and an administrator.



At David A. Perdue Primary, Peyton works closely with her host teacher, Britney Mitchell, to ensure all students are able to learn material taught to them. When asked about her YAP experience, Peyton responded, "The YAP internship has helped me realize the importance of teaching for not only my future but for the students of today. I have developed many new relationships with the students and look forward to seeing them learn and become better pupils. The internship has allowed me to use many techniques to assist those who are struggling and celebrate their achievements as they continue to reach the educational goals set for them".



Perry High School Senior, Hannah Robinson, enjoys her YAP placement in the PHS Art Studio. Hannah successfully completed many art classes with PHS Art teacher, Cathy Heller, and wanted to spend time learning more about the teaching aspect of art. Hannah's career goal is to use art therapy to help patients attain emotional healing. When asked how her Youth Apprenticeship work experience has been, Hannah said, "Being able to work in my school's art room with the Youth Apprenticeship Program has allowed me to grow in my ability to teach art techniques."





## Students Benefit from Youth Apprenticeship Program (continued)



Warner Robins High School Senior, San Hla, is a Teaching as a Profession pathway completer who is also one of the HCBE paid teacher interns. Her job placement is at Lindsey Elementary where she assists Kasia Allen. By organizing and labeling materials, preparing materials for classroom activities, reading books to the whole class, small groups of one-on-one, and enforces her host teacher's classroom expectations of her students. San's career goal is to become an elementary school teacher and her YAP experience is preparing her for just that.



Justin Shepard (pictured above) is a Veteran's High School Senior who completed the Central Georgia Technical College dual enrolled automotive pathway at HCCA. He works as a Shop Technician for Super Lawn Trucks (SLT) in Ft. Valley, Georgia. In his job placement, Justin performs such tasks as wiring 12-volt auto circuits, paint prep, ramp assembly, organizing supplies and tools, assisting with woodworking, washing trucks, and building fuel tank pipes. Justin plans to seek a career in the automotive industry.

When asked about Justin's work performance, SLT Owner, Tony Bass, said "Justin is an excellent worker with a very bright future. He has become an important part of our electrical department. He can complete pre-wire of chassis and final wire of completed trucks without supervision. He will be offered the opportunity to work with SLT on a full-time basis as he completes high school. He will also be eligible to receive scholarship money to attend secondary education, if he chooses. We are very satisfied with his contributions to Super Lawn Trucks."



# Northside Middle School

## NMS FCCLA Celebrates National Pi Day

Northside Middle School FCCLA members celebrated National Pi Day by making fresh strawberry pies. Each member made their own pie to take home and share with their family. Additional pies were made and given to the Northside Middle School custodians to show appreciation of their hard work in keeping the campus beautiful.

Northside Middle School is located at 500 Johnson Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Dustin Dykes serves as Principal.



Kash Vargas and Daniel Winn are pictured at left.



Rachel Stull, Aliene Palacio, Nala Raymond, and Ansley Cain are pictured at right.



Yailah Brown



Northside Middle

Perry Middle

Thomson Middle

Warner Robins Middle

Bonaire Middle

Feagin Mill Middle

Huntington Middle

Mossy Creek Middle

## NMS FCCLA and FFA Host Show Up and Show Out, GMAS Tips Workshop

Northside Middle School FCCLA and FFA hosted a test taking workshop to reinforce test taking strategies for the upcoming Georgia Milestones Assessment. During the workshop students were given test taking tips such as: get at least eight hours of sleep the night before, eat a healthy breakfast, be on time, always listen to and follow the instructions, proofread your responses, take your time, read all passages carefully, and more. In addition, students made DIY stress balls using balloons and flour to take home in order to help reduce their anxiety and stress.



Pictured left to right are: Breanna Jordan, Artez Lacson and Ryan Costigan.



Pictured left to right are: Jakobe Bryant and Ansley Cain.





## Perry Middle School

### PMS FBLA Recognizes Administrative Professionals

Perry Middle School recognized some key people in its organization on April 21, 2021. Audrey Bozeman, Chandra Young, Gayna Royal, Julie Terry, and Phyllis Lockaby comprise the administrative staff that allows Perry Middle to operate in such a synergistic manner. In recognition of Administrative Professional's Day, each of these ladies were given a pair of custom designed earrings by Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Adviser and Computer Science teacher, Dr. Diana Phillips. Each pair of earrings included a personalized monogram and a tribute to school spirit by showcasing a charming panther paw. Although no gift can begin to capture their hard work and beloved spirit, Perry Middle FBLA offered them as a small token of appreciation for everything that they do.



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



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