



Houston County CTAE: Working to Produce High-Achieving Students

Warner Robins High School

WRHS FFA Brings Home State Awards

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Warner Robins High School FFA member, Rebecca Edelman is all smiles at the 2019 FFA/4-H Georgia State Rabbit Show held in Dexter, Georgia in December. Rebecca received Best of Variety and breed for her rabbits, Magnolia and Black Jersey. Her rabbit, Black Netherland, earned Reserve in Breed.

She was one of the many competitors at the 2019 FFA/4-H Georgia Rabbit Show. Rabbits are judged on condition, color, markings, fur/wool, which includes the texture, length and density, and general type, which includes body, head, ears, eyes, feet, legs, and tail.

Pictured is Rebecca Edelman with her rabbits, Magnolia, Black Jersey, and Black Netherland.

Warner Robins High School is located at 401 South Davis Drive in Warner Robins, Georgia. Chris McCook serves as Principal. Dr. Veronica Sanders is the Agriculture Teacher.



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WRHS FFA Featured in Georgia FFA Publication



SHARING THE LEGACY OF WOMEN IN FFA, ONE STORY AT A TIME.

Congratulations to Dr. Veronica Sanders and Warner Robins High School student, Asia Taylor, for being featured in the personal contributions portion of the Georgia FFA Foundation Publication. This annual publication is mailed to over 10,000 people across the state to inform them of the Georgia FFA Foundation, and as an encouragement to give to the Foundation. This year, their focus is 50 years of women in agriculture.

Pictured are Dr. Veronica Sanders and Asia Taylor. Dr. Veronica Sanders and Brian Rainwater are the Agriculture Teachers at Warner Robins High School.

Growing up on a farm raising small livestock, Veronica Sanders never imagined herself teaching agriculture. However, she made the decision to do so 26 years ago. In 1994, Veronica was the only African American female teaching middle school ag classes in Georgia. "My passion for my students far outweighs all of the opposition that I have faced throughout my career. I am grateful that I did not give up during the opposition that I faced. This is an exciting time in the field of agriculture for women."

Dr. Veronica Sanders - Agricultural Educator/FFA Advisor at Warner Robins High



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YEARS OF WOMEN IN FFA!

WRHS FCCLA Participates in Feed The City



On Monday, November 18, 2019, Warner Robins High School FCCLA members participated in the Feed the City Program at Hope Church in Warner Robins, Georgia. Food items were donated by the community at various drop-off stations and picked up by Hope Church. Food items were checked, counted and sorted in preparation of pack night and giveaways on Saturday. Special shout out to Warner Robins High School FCCLA for volunteering. The following FCCLA members volunteered and are pictured above: Cameron Thrift, Taylor Morris, EJ Carter, Andre Thomas, Jacob Garza, Acacia Jenkins, Tiffany Trong, Marissa Carlson, Jordan Ray, Autumn Evans, Macy Stephenson, Jill Blank, Kinsley Mirabile, Regina Whipple and Reginald Whipple.



Houston County High School

HCHS FCCLA Falls for Leadership at the Fall Conference



Houston County High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) members had the opportunity to “*Grow as Leaders*” in “The Ultimate Leadership Experience”:

FCCLA by attending the FCCLA Fall Leadership Conference at the FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington, Georgia. The FCCLA members that attended this leadership conference were able to engage in leadership workshops, career exploration sessions, chapter program of work planning, and competitive events.

With a conference theme titled “Growing as Leaders”, students were encouraged to grow their leadership potential through their involvement with FCCLA. Helping to motivate over 1,000 FCCLA members in attendance at this event was Brynley Jones, Georgia FCCLA Region 9 Officer. Brynley, along with other Georgia FCCLA Officers, led several leadership workshops and motivational sessions that encouraged students to grow their leadership potential so that they can better serve and lead within their families, communities, and future careers.



FCCLA Region 9 Officer, Brynley Jones (pictured above center), represented Georgia FCCLA and Houston County High School as she led a workshop session titled “Growing Your Inner Leader”.



Members, pictured above (left to right) are: Asia Lesane, Camryn Pickney, Maddy Hagemann, Haley Raymond and Morgan Magwood.

Not only did Houston County High School FCCLA members gain personal growth and leadership development by attending this conference, they also took on leadership initiatives through competitive events such as: T-Shirt Design, State Lapel Pin Design, Membership Recruitment Display, and Statesman Testing. Haley Raymond and Maddy Hagemann were both recognized as being winners of the FCCLA Statesman Award. Haley and Maddy achieved the special honor and recognition of being FCCLA Statesman Winners due to their great performance and score on a test that focuses on several questions related to FCCLA history and facts.

Houston County High School FCCLA member, Camryn Pickney, reflected on the wonderful experience of attending Fall Leadership Conference by stating, “I gained so much from attending the FCCLA Fall Leadership Conference. This conference has me excited and motivated for the year ahead and has me truly believing in my leadership potential and the impact I can make as a student leader. I left this conference thinking of new ways to be involved in FCCLA so that I could continue growing my leadership potential and make a stronger impact on my family, school, and community. This conference has truly shown me the impact FCCLA can have on developing the types of leaders our community needs.”

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

LEADERSHIP IS BIGGER IN TEXAS HCHS FCCLA ATTENDS NATIONAL FALL CONFERENCE

Family and Consumer Sciences students from across the nation attended the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) National Fall Conference in Dallas, Texas in November. Students from Houston County High School FCCLA were able to write a special chapter in their leadership story by attending this conference and participating in leadership workshops, competing in Skill Demonstration Events, and engaging in youth networking sessions.

This conference provided a special opportunity for FCCLA members and advisers to come together to expand leadership skills, sharpen talents, and explore opportunities for growth in Family and Consumer Sciences and FCCLA. The following Houston County High School FCCLA members not only showcased their knowledge and skills by competing in Skill Demonstration Events, they also performed extremely well earning placements within the top 10 in the nation within their respective categories:



Jenifer Duran (pictured at left) – 6th Place in Technology in Teaching
Christian Puckett - 7th Place in Nutrition Challenge
Brynley Jones – 10th Place in FCCLA Knowledge Challenge

Additionally, Lynzey Faulkner (pictured at right), who competed in Impromptu Speaking, placed in the top 20 in the nation within her competitive event category.



As a Georgia FCCLA Region Officer, Brynley Jones served as a FCCLA state representative at the National Fall Conference and was able to attend special networking events and leadership development sessions with FCCLA officers and leaders from across the nation that attended the National Fall Conference. Upon reflecting on the experiences from this conference, Jones stated, “I am so thankful that our chapter had the opportunity to attend the National Fall Conference in Dallas, Texas. As a chapter, we are so appreciative of the support that is poured out from our local teachers, administrators, parents, and community and business sponsors who helped make this opportunity possible. Being a part of the National Fall Conference has allowed my leadership to grow to new levels and has empowered me to believe in my abilities even more. Through my participation in this conference, I have become more aware of opportunities to grow, lead, and serve as a student who is inspired to give back to the surrounding community. As students, we have to do our part to lead and serve and the FCCLA National Fall Conference taught all of our members how to not only lead, but lead well.”



Lynzey Faulkner, Jenifer Duran, and Christian Puckett.

Brynley Jones (center), FCCLA Region Officer, served as an officer representative on behalf of the Georgia FCCLA Delegation and had the opportunity to network in leadership sessions with FCCLA officer leaders from across the nation.



Houston County High School FCCLA Makes the Holidays Merrier for Local Families

In an effort to support the needs of local families during the holidays, Houston County High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) members partnered with United Way of Central Georgia and Abba House to bring Christmas cheer to children in need.

The Merrie Christmas Project was founded by Mike and Nancy Kaplan in memory of their late daughter, Merrie Kaplan, who was born with a genetic condition called Williams Syndrome. The Merrie Christmas Project was established through United Way of Central Georgia in order to recognize Merrie's joy and her love for Christmastime. As a way to "be Merrie" during the Christmas season, FCCLA members chose to partner with the worthy cause by collecting food pantry items and over \$400 in monetary donations from students to purchase toys for Middle Georgia children in need. From making donations, to a trip to Target to use all collected monetary donations to purchase toys for a variety of ages and genders, and even to delivering donations to the United Way Office in Macon, over 200 students were involved in the Merrie Christmas Project in some way. Houston County High School FCCLA's contribution to the Merrie Christmas Project was part of a project that raised over \$60,000 to support families in need during the holidays.



HCHS FACS and FCCLA members donated over \$400 to purchase toys to deliver to United Way for the Merrie Christmas Project. FCCLA Chapter Officers delivered toys and pantry donations to United Way.



FACS students and FCCLA members, Luis Tetatzin, Makayla Rutherford, and Amaya Bass, volunteered their time before school and after school to count and sort hundreds of pantry items and toiletries for United Way of Central Georgia and the Abba House to distribute to families in need.

Houston County High School also took the heart of giving even farther and spread Christmas cheer with Abba House by donating toiletries to families being serviced by Abba House and collecting an additional \$400 in student monetary donations to purchase toys for children living in Abba House. In a season of giving, HCHS FCCLA members were able to give from the heart and help hundreds of families in need and make the holidays extra special for our local community. Houston County High School FCCLA's Region Officer, Brynley Jones, remarked on the FCCLA Chapter's contributions saying, "I am so amazed by the outstanding efforts to give and serve during the holidays that our members have shown! To be able to give hundreds of pantry items, toiletries, and \$800 in toy donations to local families in need is absolutely incredible. These efforts truly depict FCCLA's commitment to community and service over self. In a season where so many teens focus on getting, it was a heartwarming privilege to be able to give."

Houston County High School FCCLA Chapter President, Maddy Hagemann, said, "I was excited to be a part of donating items to United Way and see our donations being put to use by being picked up by a local organization partnering with United Way and the Merrie Christmas Project and knowing that hundreds of toys and food items would be dispersed among children of all ages and several single-parent families living in poverty. I am proud that our chapter

was able to make the holidays "Merrie" for many families living in situations that are far from merry. We are thankful for our FCCLA leaders that go above and beyond to do their part to serve others. As our members work to help others and address needs beyond themselves, we are able to unite to become better students and stronger leaders through FCCLA."

FCCLA Chapter Officers Haley Raymond, Maddy Hagemann, and Brynley Jones helped distribute donations at the United Way Office to be disbursed among local children of all ages that are in need.



Perry High School

PHS Work-Based Learning Student of the Month



Jackson Riddle is an aspiring actor who is currently working as a theatre intern at Perry High School through Work-Based Learning. This is his second year as an intern. Jackson helps with building sets, cutting scripts, designing and making costumes, and any other odd jobs around the theatre. Jackson decided to be a theatre intern because his future goals include going to college and majoring in theatre performance/acting and becoming a full time actor. Jackson says there is nothing that will ever fill his heart the way acting does, which is why he plans on pursuing it in the future. Last year, Jackson was one of eight cast in the South Eastern Theatre Conference (SETC) winning the show, THE TERRIBLE INFANTS. The show went against 19 other schools from the 10 southeastern states where it was awarded BEST PLAY and Jackson was awarded ALL STAR CAST. This year, he became senior class president, while also being awarded BEST ACTOR in Region 2 4AAAA and ALL STAR CAST at the State competition for his role as Player One and Henry Poe in NEVERMORE.

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



Houston County Career Academy

HCCA WRHS Student Recognized as Georgia's Student of the Year at Business and Education Summit



Pictured (left to right) are: Mike Dudgeon (Policy Director, Office of Lt. Governor Duncan), Mike Engel (CGTC, Dean), Levi Johnson (3rd place winner, 12th grade NHS), Ja'Nyia Maloy (Winner- College and Career Academy Student of the Year, 12th WRHS and CGTC Dual Enrolled), Sabrina Phelps (Principal/ CEO Houston County College and Career Academy), and David McDermott (HCBE Director Career Technical Education)

On December 9, 2019, Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan celebrated College and Career Academies across Georgia by hosting the 12th Annual Business and Education Summit at Lanier Technical College in Gainesville, Georgia. Surrounded by educators, students and business leaders, Duncan congratulated the award winners and recognized the significant impact College and Career Academies are having throughout Georgia.

"Workforce development is a huge part of what has made Georgia the best place to live and work," Duncan said. "College and Career Academies play a huge role in attracting new businesses to Georgia, and it is an honor to celebrate the hard work and achievements of those associated with this great program. My office looks forward to working alongside the educators and business leaders who have devoted their time, resources and expertise to put Georgia second to none in workforce development."

Award Winners Include:

Students of the Year: (1st place) Ja'Nyia Maloy - Houston County College and Career Academy; (2nd place) Diego Calderon - Northwest Georgia College and Career Academy; (3rd place) Levi Johnson - Houston County College and Career Academy.

Business Partner of the Year: King and Prince Seafood, Brunswick.

College and Career Academy of the Year: Griffin Region College and Career Academy.

GCCAP12 Grant Awardees: Jones County College and Career Academy; Fitzgerald High School College and Career Academy; IGNITE College and Career Academy (Sumter County); EMPOWER College and Career Academy (Jackson County).

CCA Approved Certifications: Calhoun City College and Career Academy; THINC College and Career Academy (LaGrange); Southeastern Early College and Career Academy (Vidalia); Polk County College and Career Academy (Rockmart); Liberty College and Career Academy (Hinesville).

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

HCCA Healthcare Science Students Prepare for CNA Patient Care Test



Kelsey Fritz is pictured practicing taking blood pressure on Houston County Career Academy Principal, Sabrina Phelps. HCCA Healthcare Science students have been studying hard for weeks to prepare for their CNA Patient Care test that is coming up. The test, when passed, certifies students as nursing assistants before they graduate high school. The Houston County Career Academy is an exceptional place that supports educating students in pursuing their career interests. Students completing pathways receive graduation cords for graduation and various certifications.



HCCA Sports Medicine Student Job Shadows at Houston Healthcare's Sports Injury Clinic

Sports Medicine student, Chloe Barnes, earned an opportunity to job shadow at Houston Healthcare's Sports Injury Clinic. To do this, she excelled in the classroom and volunteered her time four Saturdays this Fall. She was able to put classroom skills to work in real life situations. Pictured at right (left to right) are: Bryant Phelps, x-ray technician; K. Scott Malone, M.D.; and Dexter Cornelius, orthopedic technician.



Healthcare Fall Advisory Council Lunch and Learn

During the Healthcare Science Fall Advisory Meeting, 90% of the members attended with many healthcare professions represented. Attendees received updates on employment, new information on background screenings for new hires and students from the Career Academy were able to speak about their job shadowing experiences, colleges plans and what HCCA has done for them. Sandi Couillard, Houston County School's Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator, shared information about the healthcare summit that was held in the Spring and wanting to increase the number of healthcare students in Youth Apprenticeship positions.



Industrial Systems Program Students at HCCA Build a Mechanical Work Station



Caleb Farmer and Jy'Gregory Glenn, students in the Industrial Systems Program at HCCA, recently built a mechanical work station from scratch. The station simulates what technicians/engineers would experience in an industrial plant.

These two individuals put their 3H motto into action.

1. **Head** = bringing their class room learnings to the shop floor.
2. **Hands** = applying this knowledge with their hands...real work.
3. **Heart** = demonstrating a strong work ethic, and solid teamwork.

This and many other similar work stations will be used over and over again by future students, as HCCA continues to partner with local industry, such as Frito-Lay, and Central Georgia Technical College. A great example of building the next generation work force.

HCCA HVAC Students Visited by Local Business Owner



Pictured are:
Bernie Joeger,
Mason
Campbell,
Kavin Howard,
Iker Cassilas
and Carter
Basewell.

HCCA HVAC students had the pleasure of hearing Bernie Joeger speak to them about “BEST PRACTICES” within the HVAC/R Industry. He along with employee Keith Toms spent time with multiple classes answering questions and giving pointers to students. “Our final project is piping and wiring for a non-critical system,” said student Nick Green. “And then, once we’ve built it, we check it to make sure it has no leaks. Having Mr. Joeger and Mr. Toms coming to class and double checking our procedure was really beneficial.” Students who complete the advance HVAC/R class at the HCCA emerge with an Air Conditioning Residential Technician Technical Certificate from Central Georgia Technical College. This is the first year that HVAC students can earn college credit simultaneously while completing the HCCA HVAC program. “There’s a lot of information in this class, and to be honest, when we first started I was like ‘man this is a lot of information...’ it was kind of blowing my mind, but Mr. Fletcher always takes us through the steps, so he makes it easy to understand,” added student Chandler Brown. Mr. Joeger and Mr. Toms donated their time to help the students check the systems they have built, looking for leaks before they begin the testing process where they under and over-charge the system, so they will know what each condition looks like.



Pictured at right
are Keith Toms
and Trevor Hendrix



Houston County Robotics Kicks Off the Season Right Taking First Place at GRITS and Visiting Georgia Tech



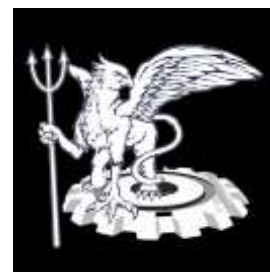
On November 2, 2019 the Houston County FIRST Robotics Team #3635 competed and won the Georgia Robotics Invitational Tournament and Showcase (GRITS) championship at Kell High School. GRITS is an off-season event to introduce new team members, mentors, and sponsors to FIRST.

“This year’s GRITS competition gave everyone a glimpse of how hard work, perseverance, and unwavering positivity can help any FIRST team climb to the Finals round and walk away with a victory in hand,” says Natalie Van Slyke, President of the team. “If Team 3635 can carry such a great attitude into this year’s game, I am certain that we will make it back to the World Championship.”

The team visited Georgia Tech for kick-off and gained knowledge from the RoboJackets about safety, strategy, and electrical systems. The team is starting the build season off strong and is ready to tackle the challenges of this year’s game, “Infinite Recharge”. For Inspiration and Recognition in Science and Technology (FIRST) is teaching the next generation of engineers, technicians, and programmers to gain skills needed for a quality workforce. This year the “I” in FIRST is centered around inspiring the teams to understand that renewable sources of energy are all around us. Using intelligent systems, imaginations, and working together for the 2020 season of FIRST Robotics Competition, students can support boundless innovation and develop a society that’s empowered, inspired, and hopeful.

“The reflection upon the 2019 season and iteration of the lift mechanism incorporated into the robot allowed for the #1 ranking of the team in the final event of the season,” says Adreinne Cloud, Lead Mentor and Engineering and Technology Instructor of the team. “The collaboration between student members and mentors is not only fun and exciting, but ensures a quality workforce. We are so thankful to our mentors and sponsors that support us and give us the opportunity to compete.”

About Houston County Robotics Team: *FIRST* Robotics Team 3635 – The Flying Legion is an award-winning high school robotics team from Houston County, Georgia. They are a county-wide alliance welcoming students from all five high schools. They have been competing since 2011, and are looking forward to a new challenge this season!



Houston County Career Academy Mock Trial Team



HCCA is excited to announce for the first time ever that Houston County Schools will participate in the state sponsored Mock Trial Competitions on February 1, 2020. This team is made up of any high school student who has a desire to work in the law and justice system. They do NOT have to be in the Public Safety Pathway to participate. The team is led by Dr. Cheronie Blunt, HCCA/CGTC Dual Enrollment Instructor and three volunteer attorneys: Jackie Hightower, Lauren Schultz, and Chris Gordon.



State Bar
of Georgia

Veterans High School

VHS AFJROTC Recognizes Local Military Veterans

The Veterans High School AFJROTC program celebrated Veterans Day by recognizing several military veterans who are also faculty and staff members during the week of November 4 - 8, 2019. Cadets informed the student body daily of the mission and goal of each military branch's mission and concluded the week by honoring those who served with a small token of appreciation.

Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Amy Barbour is the Principal and the AFJROTC Instructors are Lt. Col. Steven Atkins, CMSgt. Peggy Miller and SMSgt. Garrett Martin.



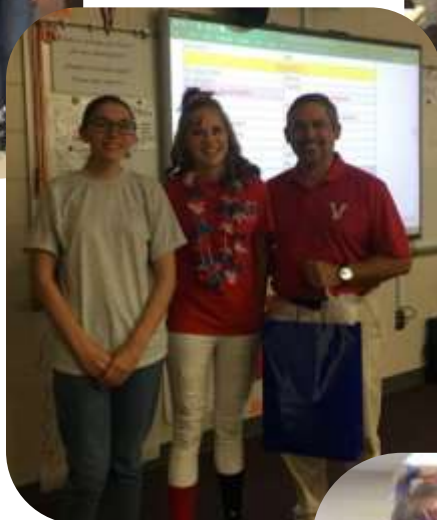
Pictured at left (left to right) are: Graycee Russell, Col Atkins, Chief Miller, Sgt. Martin (ROTC instructors) and Courtney Peek



Pictured above (left to right) are: Graycee Russell, Mark Antley (APD) and Courtney Peek.



Pictured above (left to right) are: Graycee Russell, Steve Green (Lead Custodian) and Courtney Peek.



Pictured above (left to right) are: Courtney Peek, Edwin Vazquez (Spanish teacher) and Graycee Russell.



Pictured at right (left to right) are: Graycee Russell, Shawn Masters (Math teacher) and Courtney Peek.

Northside High School

NHS DECA Competes in Region Competition



On Tuesday, December 10, 2019, seven members of Northside High School's DECA chapter competed in Region competition, held at Middle Georgia State University. Winning medals for their performance were: Estrella Marcello - 2nd place in Restaurant and Food Service Management, Jayden Catoe - 2nd place in Apparel and Accessories Marketing, and Chanelle Washington - 1st place in Sports and Entertainment Marketing. Their Adviser is Elaine Tignor, Marketing Education Teacher at Northside High School.

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

Pictured at left are Estrella Marcello, Jayden Catoe and Chanelle Washington.



Pictured above are: Estrella Marcello, Kayla Morris, Emmanuel Hughes, Chanelle Washington, Chloe Warnock, Nathan Hayes and Jayden Catoe.

NHS FBLA Attends Fall State Leadership Conference



Northside FBLA displayed Eagle pride while attending the 2019 FBLA Leadership Conference held in the Classic City of Athens, Georgia on November 13-14, 2019. Students in attendance were Ashley Gutierrez, Stephen Lin, Josiah Druhl, Austin Medlin, Nadia Jordan, Brianna Brown, Alea Riley, Jady Townes, Talia Hightower, Jaylen Jones, Danethia Perry, Ishaan Vyas and Justin Luke. Advisers attending were Lisa Mobley-Luke and Dr. Carlos McCloud. At this conference, students were able to learn

about various leadership skills that will make them effective leaders in future life endeavors. Students attended various leadership workshops covering a myriad of topics and tracks, competitive event preparation workshops, and motivational presentations and learned about FBLA's national programs and projects. The highlight of the trip was a guided tour by the admissions office at the University of Georgia. Competitive event participants above include: Justin Luke, Ishaan Vyas, Stephen Lin and Jaylen Jones.

NHS FBLA Partners with Feed the City and Hope Church

Northside FBLA gave back to the community on November 22, 2019. Several members of FBLA participated in "Packing Night," a night in which Thanksgiving food items are packaged for needy families in the community. The students gave back and helped those less fortunate than themselves. Students and advisers assisted the Hope Church staff in stuffing bags and boxes with the usual Thanksgiving delights such as canned goods, stuffing, turkeys and all the fixings. Feed the City is an annual charitable event sponsored by the Hope Church of Warner Robins and its Pastor Jordan Poole. The event is for any family who needs a little help in making their Thanksgiving special.



NHS FCCLA Chapter Holds Winter Festival for Families Affiliated with Rainbow House



Pictured above (left to right) are: Paige Coker, FCCLA Member; Leslie Cole, FCCLA member; Kim Coxon, Rainbow House Representative; and Courtney Coxon, FCCLA member.

The FCCLA Chapter of Northside High School recently held a Winter Festival for families affiliated with the Rainbow House of Warner Robins. The Rainbow House Children's Resource Center is an organization devoted to reducing the occurrence of child abuse and to assisting victims throughout Houston County. Rainbow House coordinates community efforts in child abuse education advocacy, treatment, family support, prevention, and training.

Courtney Coxon, Paige Coker and Leslie Cole contacted the Rainbow House because of their concern for families dealing with abusive situations. They wanted to do something to help

make a positive impact on the families during the holiday season. Together, with the assistance of Rainbow House staff, they planned and implemented a Winter Festival for the families. They made games such as "Snowman Slam", "Candy Cane Fishing with Dad", "Snowman Bowling", "Ring the Tree", "Winter in a Bag", and "Marshmallow Toss". The girls also held a Cupcake Walk as well as provided a photo booth for family pictures. Snacks and drinks were also provided by students from the Food Science and Nutrition Classes at NHS as well as FCCLA. The families, staff, and FCCLA members had a great time playing games, taking pictures and interacting with each other. The event was held at Centerville Methodist Church on Saturday, December 14th from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. The NHS students plan to present this activity as a Star Event at FCCLA Region Competition this spring in the "Focus on Children" category.



NHS Holds Fall CTAE Advisory Board Meeting



Northside High School held its Fall Advisory Board meeting. Those attending were: Tony Spires, Lori Walker, Sharon Joyner, Johnna Spires, Traci Jolley, Sandi Couillard, Jody Sikes, Ashley Gutierrez, Russell Lawley, and Carlos McCloud.

All participants were informed of the impact of CTAE programs and the success that has been experienced with students who are enrolled in the program. The Advisory Board also suggested and discussed ways to deepen partnerships with local business and industry.



Mossy Creek Middle School

MCMS FCCLA and FFA Combines for Chapter Meeting with a Gingerbread House Showdown

On December 12, 2019 Mossy Creek Middle School's FCCLA partnered with MCMS FFA to conduct a combined chapter meeting. The 'ticket' to attend was a canned food item which was donated to a local food bank. FFA and FCCLA members wanted to help the community this holiday season and thought this would be a wonderful way to start!

The members from FCCLA competed against the members of FFA for a 'Gingerbread-House Showdown'. All members divided up into groups of 'builders' and started on their construction. Through cooperation and collaboration, each group communicated and executed a plan to make a memorable gingerbread house. Every group was given a container of frosting, a packet of graham crackers, some pretzels, a variety of candy, and some sprinkles.

FCCLA's mission statement states, "Our Mission is to promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences education. We are the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America." Through this, the members of Mossy Creek Middle School's FCCLA have learned leadership skills and have gone through personal growth by taking a lead and engaging in a fun activity.

Mossy Creek Middle School is located at 200 Danny Carpenter Drive in Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Andy Gentry serves as Principal.



Cloe Jenkins, Zachery Watkins, and Madelyn Myers are pictured as they enjoy putting a house together and eating.



Olivia Morrison and Ella Goldsmith are shown contemplating their foundation for the Gingerbread House.



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MCMS FCCLA Joined in Celebrating Graduates

Piedmont College held a graduation ceremony at Mossy Creek Middle School for those that were graduating with their post-graduate degrees. Most of the graduates are full-time employees of the Houston County School System while actively pursuing their degrees. Two Mossy Creek Middle School's FCCLA Officers were delighted to be able to participate in this event. Olivia Morrison and Daylee Lanier greeted attendees, handed out programs and served refreshments at the end of the ceremony. The Mossy Creek Middle School's FCCLA was honored to be part of the exciting night and to witness three of our Creek family members achieve this professional goal. The MCMS teachers receiving their Specialist in Education degrees were Molly Childers, Lindsay Gentry, and Angela McConnell. Congratulations to all those who received a degree from Piedmont College on December 16th, 2019.



Daylee Lanier and Olivia Morrison are pictured ready to hand out programs.



Daylee Lanier and Olivia Morrison are pictured watching the graduation and ready to serve refreshments.



Olivia Morrison is pictured above greeting guests.



Perry Middle School

PMS Business Computer Science Classes Enjoy Learning with Drones

After lessons saturated in computer basics, coding, programming, and other technology related topics, Dr. Diana Phillips' Business and Computer Science classes enjoyed a little technological application. With the implementation of HB 108, the change in curriculum has shifted learning in a more Computer Science focused direction. Students were able to take turns flying drones around the room which provided a hands-on application of the learning discipline.

Perry Middle School is located at 497 Perry Parkway in Perry, Georgia. Heath Burch serves as Principal.



Business Computer Science Class at PMS Hosts Guest Speakers



On January 23, 2020, Jason Blankenship from the Better Business Bureau and Brooke Brown from Cadence Bank visited Dr. Diana Phillips' Business and Computer Science class at Perry Middle School. Mr. Blankenship spoke about ethics, business, making smart buying decisions, how to avoid making bad decisions, and much more. Students participated in a competitive game about buying a car. They learned real world skills to help them make smart purchasing choices when buying a car, paying for insurance, the importance of knowing their credit scores, ethics, and much more.



PMS FBLA Finish Out 2019 With a Bang

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) finished out 2019 with a bang. FBLA Adviser, Dr. Diana Phillips, headed up the soirée. Members enjoyed a catered meal by Jalisco Grill from Perry with additional trimmings including salad, a variety of candy, and little cakes. A white elephant gift game proved quite entertaining with members able to “steal” each other’s gifts. All members took home a gift at the end of the game. They followed suit with a game that required listening and following directions. All members received a tasty candy bar at the game’s conclusion. Lastly, members departed with a little special gift from their chapter adviser. Each member got a little “snowman poop,” otherwise known as Tic Tacs.



PMS Computer Science Classes Enjoy Coding

FBLA Adviser, Dr. Diana Phillips, gave her Business and Computer Science classes the opportunity to enjoy a little technological application by moving coding from block coding on the computer to three dimensional tactile materials. Students were given paper, markers, and instruction codes for the robots. They were then asked to write a code sequence for the robots – Ozobots were the robots used for this project. After writing their code sequence, students watched as the Ozobot robots carried out their commands.



Ozobot Evo Robot

Thomson Middle School

TMS FBLA Attends Fall Leadership Conference



Thomson Middle School FBLA attended the Fall Leadership Conference in Athens, Georgia on November 13th. Students attended leadership workshops and fellowship with other middle school FBLA students from around the state.

Students attending: Yaser Abuazizah, Hannah Firkin, Chaston Hill, Avi Patel, Darshan Patel, Dev Patel, Poorva Patel, Sahaj Patel, Sanjay Patel, Hannah Scheffer and Tomoki Tanaka.

Thomson Middle School is located at 301 Thomson Street in Centerville, Georgia. Dr. Scott Wynn serves as Principal.



Chaston Hill

Bonaire Middle School

BMS FBLA Explores Careers



Did you know that employment of construction managers is projected to grow ten percent from 2018 to 2028, faster than the average for all occupations? Did you know a construction manager will supervise and manage contractors and laborers at construction sites and that they often meet with architects, specialized trade employees, and civil engineers on projects or upcoming builds? Is construction something that interests you? Maybe you are interested in software development or repair or writing code for gaming or for the Department of Defense. Students from the Bonaire Middle School Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America have had opportunities to explore these careers. As part of a new and continuing community business immersion opportunities initiative, and facilitated by the gracious and energetic coordination of Angie Gheesling and Becky Lee of the Houston County Development Authority, FBLA Adviser, Felicia Lawrence is leveraging local

community resources to expose students to future career opportunities. The Development Authority generously offered to step in and help pave the way and donated funding for students joining FBLA by paying for their membership dues and it has already paid off as evidenced by the first two events of this exciting initiative. Scot Ethridge (pictured) of Parrish Construction Group, Director of Business Development, spoke to students from FBLA and Mrs. Lawrence's classes. He discussed the history and careers in Parrish Construction as well as work place readiness skills. Additionally, students on a separate occasion were exposed to software development and repair by Ms. Emile of the 402 Software Maintenance Group at Warner-Robins Air Logistics Complex. Ms. Sumner, an Auburn Scholar and Olympic caliber swimmer, discussed software development and careers in Software Maintenance.

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



Huntington Middle School

HMS FCCLA Works in a Service Project to Recycle Bags into Mats for the Homeless



As a community service project HMS FCCLA worked with Middle GA Mats and the Houston County Human Needs Coalition to recycle plastic grocery bags into mats for the homeless. FCCLA members cut the bags and connected them into strips of six bags. Tracy Bulharowski of Middle GA Mats showed them how to weave the strips into a mat. FCCLA members completed half of a mat and donated numerous strips of bags to the organization. Special thanks to Junnie Winters who helped organize the project. Pictured are Kaleb Young, Josef Askew, Jenson Bundy, An'yla Savage, Hope Johnson, Marcus Jarvis, Blake Sostarich, Jhayden Jones, Makenna Duckworth, Lilly Harden, Rebecca Acker, Katie Bowen, Casey Bena, Laina Therrien, Aryn Myles, and Tracy Bulharowski of Middle GA Mats. Special thanks to Junnie Winters who helped to organize the project. Melanie Bratcher serves as FCCLA Adviser.

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



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Pictured are: (front row) Sherry Johnson, VHS; Monica Kearse, PHS; and Sabrina Phelps, HCCA; (back row) Russell Lawley, NHS; and Tom Seward, WRHS. Not pictured is Karma Hayes, HCHS

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