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Veterans High School

VHS FBLA Officers Recruit New Members During Open House

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Veterans High School Open House was held Tuesday, August 25, 2015. The VHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) members set up an informative display and talked with students and parents about the benefits of joining FBLA.

Veterans High is located at 340 Piney Grove Road, Kathleen, GA where Christopher Brown is Principal, Sherry Johnson is CTAE Supervisor and Belinda Collier serves as FBLA lead Advisor. They can be contacted at (478) 218-7537.

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Students pose for a picture at the recruitment table. Left to right are: Karlee White, President; Lauryn Kearse, Reporter; Jada Bolden, Parliamentarian and Ahm'unique Brown.



Jada Bolden (left) tells a student the benefits of joining FBLA.



Ahm'unique Brown (left) and Karlee White (right) talk to parents about FBLA.



VHS FCCLA Attends Discover Training



Veterans High FCCLA members and officers had the chance to learn more about leadership and opportunities through FCCLA by attending Discover Training (Developing Individual School Chapter Officers with Vision, Energy and Responsibilities) at Camp John Hope on Saturday August 22, 2015. Approximately 400 FCCLA members and officers across the state attended the training.

Veterans High FCCLA members attending pictured are Christina Palmer, Makaela Fitzwater, Shelby Burnette, Garrett Wurdeman and Brayden Hicks.

Mrs. Donna Brown is the FCCLA advisor.



Veterans High FCCLA Mentors Local Middle School



Veterans High FCCLA members Brayden Hicks and State Officer of Community Service Makaela Fitzwater made a visit to Huntington Middle School in Warner Robins recently to help provide information and ideas on how to get their chapter off to a good start this school year. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and get a better understanding of what FCCLA is all about.

VHS FCCLA Assists with Adult Computer Classes

The Houston County School System offers Adult Computer Classes to the community each year at all of the county's high schools. Veterans High School held their classes on August 24th and 31st with members from various CTSO (Career Tech Student Organizations) assisting.



FCCLA members Brayden Hicks and Christina Palmer are shown helping adults in the class with their individual computer needs.

VHS JROTC Captures Two State Level Awards



Veterans High School teacher Lt. Colonel (Ret.) Steve Atkins and recent graduate, James (Malcom) Sutton, were recognized during the Air Force Association State Awards Luncheon held on September 2, 2015 at the Landings Golf Course Clubhouse. Lt. Col Steve Atkins has been named the 2014-2015 Georgia AFA *Teacher of the Year* and Sutton won the *Outstanding Air Force Junior ROTC Cadet of the Year*.

The AFA Teacher of the Year award recognizes classroom teachers for their accomplishments and achievements in exciting students about science and math and preparing them to use and contribute to tomorrow's technologies. This award recognizes teachers who are furthering excellence and making class an adventure. Lt. Col. Steve Atkins was nominated by Dr. Lionel Brown, former principal of Veterans High School.

Both honorees were nominated for the state awards after winning the Carl Vinson Memorial Chapter 296 awards.

Pictured from left to right are: Mr. & Mrs. James Sutton, Jr. accepting the award for their son, Mrs. Sherry Johnson, VHS Assistant Principal of CTAE and Lt. Col Steve Atkins during the local awards ceremony.

Northside High School

NHS Hosts Adult Computer Classes



Class was busy as Northside High School hosted its 2015 adult computer classes September 14th and 21st. Participants learned about such topics as computer parts and functions, internet safety, and Microsoft Office 2013 applications. The adults were assisted by NHS Business and Computer Science teachers, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) members, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) members and their advisors (Jill Masee and Carla Jessup), BETA Club members and JROTC members. FCCLA and Business Teacher, Traci Jolley, provided wonderful treats for all involved.

Attendees were greeted by Houston County Board of Education CTAE Director, David McDermott and NHS CTAE Supervisor, Jody Dean. Business and Computer Science teachers, Johnna Spires, Lisa Mobley-Luke, and Sandi Couillard, served as teachers for the event.

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



2015 Adult Computer Classes Volunteers
Left to right – Elaine Mo, Noopur Patel,
Dawn Hines, Danielle Loving, and
Masona Fofana



NHS Educator Member of GeorgiaBEST Advisory Council



Pictured above are a few of the GeorgiaBEST Advisory Council members who have volunteered their time to help grow and improve the GeorgiaBEST program. They are pictured at their July meeting in Atlanta, with Georgia Commissioner of Labor, Mark Butler. The 2015–2016 Advisory Council members are Sandi Couillard, Patricia DuBois, Angeles Jeffreys, Shari Loban, Valery Lowe, John Reagan, Monica Rydza, Rhonda Samples, Donna Silva, and Katherine Thomas.

Sandi Couillard, Work-Based Learning Coordinator and Business and Technology Teacher at Northside High School, said, "I feel blessed to be a part of such an important project. As a Work-Based Learning Coordinator, I am able to gather much feedback from employers regarding worker performance. What I hear over and over again is the need for workers to enter the job force having both good work ethics and soft skills in tact. The Georgia BEST program addresses work ethics and soft skills in all areas of concern for employers and greatly benefits both the students and the employers."



Houston County High School

“OPERATION BEAR PRIDE” MAKES HCHS FBLA PROUD



On August 26, 2015, during its annual membership recruitment, Houston County High School’s FBLA Chapter kicked off its new school service project “OPERATION BEAR PRIDE.” During the school service project, the FBLA advisors sent out their “troops” to battle the graffiti, drawings, and doodles that every teacher dreads seeing on their desks. With the help of the HCHS custodial staff, who very kindly provided cleaning supplies, paper towels, and gloves, members were sent to

teacher classrooms where they helped teachers clean their rooms.

Over twenty members showed up to help FBLA give back to the school. Teachers signed up by sending an email requesting service. Nearly every email had the word “awesome” in it, usually in all caps, and behind each email, a teacher in desperate need of help! In addition to cleaning desks, students emptied trash, cleaned science equipment in labs, shredded paper, and various other classroom tasks. Needless to say, the teachers who received services were beyond thrilled. They had more time to plan lessons, grade papers, organize, and tutor students.

“We did a school service project last year where we helped clean up the school, and I thought it would be absolutely wonderful if I could have my desks and tables cleaned each week. Then I thought about other teachers, and came up with the idea,” said Mrs. Jenny Jackson, FBLA advisor. “The positive response was overwhelming,” said Mrs. Sheila Jones, FBLA advisor. “We cleaned 40 classrooms in 45 minutes. Our members were glad to do it. They are also now very cognizant of their behavior and encourage others to help their teachers by keeping their classroom environments clean. It gives them a sense of service and protectiveness in their school, and has had positive benefits all around.”

Seen in the picture are (from the left) Morgan Mason, Michelle Huynh, Priya Patel, Sabina Ashurova, Shauna Gibson, Jekeria Dorsey, and FBLA Officer Briana Peppers.

Houston County High School’s FBLA Advisors are Mrs. Sheila Jones, Mrs. Jenny Jackson, Ms. Gina Jessup and Mrs. Karma Hayes. CTAE Supervisor is Mr. Wesley Martin.

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

HCHS FBLA Officers Attend Region Officers Academy



Two of Houston County High School's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) officers, Hope Williams and Nivedha Soundappan, attended training in Fort Valley, GA over the summer. Hope is the Region Vice President for Region 5 and Nivedha is FBLA's Georgia State Secretary. The training, Region Officer Academy, is designed to build the skills necessary for the individuals who occupy a position as an FBLA Region or State Officer.

Representatives from each region attended the weekend training at Camp John Hope. Nivedha and Hope were given the opportunity to work together with other regions and chapters, building leadership, social, speaking and vocational skills that they will use over the year. Activities included speaking competitions, icebreakers, speed games and other competitions.

Officers were grouped by regions and were able to rehearse their duties for the year, such as the Region Leadership Conference Awards of Excellence Ceremony and meeting with other chapters in the region. The officers were also able to meet individuals from other regions and build wonderful friendships. Region Officers are required to attend all FBLA conferences and trainings over the course of the year.

HCHS FCCLA Students Recognized By State School Superintendent

Desiree Singleton was invited to attend Superintendent Roger Wood's Recognition Reception. Desiree, along with her partner Kasey Leahy, competed in Washington, D.C. at FCCLA's National Leadership Conference in Chapter in Review Display. These girls presented a speech and display board detailing Houston County FCCLA's well-balance program of work. They were recognized for receiving a Gold Medal and a perfect score of 100 at the national level.

(not pictured: Kasey Leahy. Kasey is currently attending Valdosta State University and majoring in Consumer Economics)



HCHS FBLA Takes Over Chicago

More than 8,500 of America's best and brightest high school students traveled to the Windy City to Step Up to the Challenge as they showcased their talents as future business leaders and vied for the opportunity to win more than \$175,000 in cash awards.

Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda (FBLA-PBL), held its FBLA National Leadership Conference in Chicago on June 29th to July 2nd. Participants from across the United States attended this exciting conference to enhance their business skills, expand their networks, and participate in more than 55 business and business-related competitive events.



Opening ceremonies were held at the McCormick Place Convention Center. John Beede was the motivational speaker at the ceremonies and delivered an exhilarating beginning for the conference. During the conference, members of the Houston County High School FBLA chapter, Michael Koohang and Patrick Block, prepared for testing while State Advisor; Mrs. Sheila Jones and Georgia State Secretary; Nivedha Soundappan, attended training and meetings for most of the day.

Koohang competed in Introduction to Information Technology, Block competed in Computer Problem Solving and Soundappan competed as a member of the Global Business team. During the conference, Jose' Espinel from Georgia was elected the National President for FBLA.

There were over 300 competitors with over 70 winners from Georgia! Michael Koohang from Houston County High received national recognition at the FBLA Awards of Excellence Program on July 2nd earning 8th place in Introduction to Information Technology. Congratulations to all the competitors from Houston County. Georgia FBLA is looking forward to the upcoming NLC in Atlanta the summer of 2016.

HCHS CTAE Educators Attend 2015 GACTE Summer Conference



Houston County CTAE Educators attended the 2015 GACTE Summer Conference in July. Pictured are Row 1 left to right: Jenny Jackson, Lynsey Singleton, and Del Martin
Row 2 left to right: Shonda McFadden, Karma Hayes, and Shayna Brown
Row 3 left to right: Sheila Jones and Aaron Munn

HCHS Educators Recognized for Industry Re-Certification at CACTE Conference



On July 14, at the summer Georgia Association for Career and Technology Education (GACTE) Conference, Houston County High School's Business Computer Science and Sports Marketing teachers were recognized for achieving industry re-certification. The business program was certified by The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) and the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE). The marketing program was certified by the American Marketing Association (AMA) and the GaDOE. Pictured at left are

Business Teachers; Jenny Jackson, Sheila Jones, and Karma Hayes. Not pictured is Business Teacher, Gina Jessup.

Industry Certification is a high-school program designed to recognize and promote high quality Career Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) programs. Certified programs include involved advisory committees, project-based instruction, career development activities, up-to-date technologies and equipment, dedicated teachers through professional development, and an active student organization (FBLA and DECA). Pictured below are Marketing Teachers Stacey Sumner (Warner Robins High School) and Shayna Brown (Houston County High School).

When a program becomes industry certified, it receives a "stamp of excellence", which represents the apex of program quality. Only those programs that have successfully undergone rigorous reviews by leaders from business and industry are recognized with this distinction.

Houston County High's CTAE Supervisor, Del Martin commented, "I am very proud of these teachers for their dedication and hard work in re-certifying their programs through very challenging times. Industry Certification is no longer mandated, yet these teachers saw the importance of continuing the excellence of their program and providing their students with a quality program, during a year of several new implementations of assessments."



HCHS FBLA Attends SLOTS Conference



Over the summer, Houston County High School's Chapter of FBLA attended the GA FBLA Summer Leadership and Officer Training Summit (SLOTS) Conference. This event is held exclusively for chapters' officers. At the conference, upcoming officers are given the chance to learn about their position, play games, network with other chapters and plan for the upcoming year.

Training at SLOTS is provided by GA FBLA Officer Alumni. The sessions are grouped by position, for example, all of the chapter presidents were instructed to attend a session in one area while vice presidents met in another area. After attending individual sessions, the officer team met back up and participated in team building activities with other schools. Several of the activities that the officers experienced are being implemented in the chapter meetings. After lunch, provided by Chick-Fil-A, each officer team and advisers were given time to sit down and discuss future plans. This time is designed for the officers to plan for the year using strategies that were learned at the training sessions.

Representatives from Houston County High School included: Hope Williams, David Partin, Michael Koochang, Kyrsten Shipp, David Green, Briana Peppers, India Jessie, Maddie Weaver, Sasha Lee, Tam Thai as well as advisers Sheila Jones and Jenny Jackson.

Perry High School

PHS FCCLA Attends Discover Training



Pictured left to right are Kena Fairfax and Grace Peavy

Perry High FCCLA Officers attended Developing Individual School Chapters with Vision, Energy and Responsibilities (Discover) Training at Camp John Hope in Fort Valley Georgia. The training was hosted by the Georgia Association of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA).

Almost 400 members from over 50 chapters from across the state attended this day of unique opportunities that informed and motivated chapter officers and their advisors to explore opportunities available through FCCLA. They examined new ways to help them succeed in their families, careers and communities. The meeting was intended to increase students' knowledge of what it means to lead their local chapter and ways to take this back to their own community.

Attendees participated in various sessions that included ideas to take back to their local chapter regarding membership community service, national programs and competitive events.

Perry High FCCLA President said "I can't wait to get back to my chapter and share these new ideas." Perry High FCCLA First Vice President, Grace Peavy, thought that the games played and the fun had at discover training would be something she could share with other chapter members.

Advisors Kama Beaumarchais and Crystal Quick are proud of the new group of young leaders that are blossoming in FCCLA. "We couldn't have asked for a better group of Officers" said Kama Beaumarchais.

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

Perry High School is located at 1307 North Avenue in Perry. Dr. Darryl Albritton is Principal.



Pictured left to right are Katelyn LaPine and Alissa Moore

PHS FCCLA Attends Fall Leadership Conference



Youth from Perry High School's Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) recently participated in a weekend leadership conference held at the FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington, Georgia. Over 1,200 students and advisors from 160 schools across Georgia participated in leadership workshops, planned the chapter's program of work and participated in competitions. Students were motivated by the conference theme "Together We Are... Building Leaders". Along with other advisors and members from across the state, Perry High's FCCLA chapter advisors

Kama Beaumarchais and Crystal Quick, accompanied six officers to the meeting.

Chapter's also had the chance to compete in several events including T-Shirt Design, State Lapel Pin Design, Membership Recruitment and Statesman Award. At the conclusion of the day the awards ceremony was held to recognize all of the accomplishments of the competition winners.

The Fall Leadership Conference is always an excellent opportunity for Chapter Officers to network with students from other chapters across the state. The work sessions that were offered opened the minds of Perry High Officers and allowed them many opportunities to share new found ideas with other chapter members back at school.

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Pictured above left to right are Grace Peavy, Monica Williams, Kena Fairfax, Lauren McPhail, Alissa Moore, Katelyn LaPine

PHS FCCLA Holds Officer Installation Ceremony



Pictured above from left to right are Lauren McPhail, Alissa Moore, Katelyn LaPine, Kena Fairfax, Grace Peavy and Monica Williams.

The official installation ceremony for officers was held in September to install the following Perry High FCCLA officers into their positions:

President	Kena Fairfax
First Vice President	Grace Peavy
Vice President of Programs	Monica Williams
Vice President of Community Service	Lauren McPhail
Vice President of Membership	Kaitlyn LaPine
Vice President of Chronological Records	Alissa Moore

Advisors Kama Beaumarchais and Crystal Quick are extremely excited to begin another year of FCCLA with such wonderful leaders. Officers have participated in Discover training at Camp John Hope and will be attending B.A.S.I.C Training in Covington this fall. Officers were installed using the official FCCLA instillation ceremony and attendees also participated in a Chapter Leadership Training at Perry High School to help with implementing this year's program of work. PHS looks forward to another year of inspiration and service. Together we are successful!

FCCLA at PHS Hosts Potluck Dinner



Pictured left to right are Monica Williams, Lauren McPhail, Katelyn LaPine, Alissa Moore, Grace Peavy and Kena Fairfax

Perry High School's FCCLA members were invited to attend the first social of the year consisting of a Potluck Dinner. Members were encouraged to bring a homemade dish that they helped prepare to share. Students were greeted at the door by officers and FCCLA's red and white decorations. The club had an awesome turnout with more than 50 members in attendance and foods such as authentic enchiladas, baked pasta, pizza, meat balls, fruit trays, pasta salad, cakes, cookies, brownies, peach cobbler and banana pudding! During dinner, officers walked around and greeted new and returning members, welcoming them to FCCLA. Dinner was followed by several team building and leadership games. All members enjoyed the evening festivities and



Several Perry High FCCLA members are pictured participating in a Leadership Game titled FCCLA Bingo.

Houston County Career Academy

HCCA Class Using Laser Engraver to Learn About Engineering Design



The Houston County Career Academy's Engineering Applications Class, taught by Mr. William Smith Jr., is using a laser engraver to learn about engineering design. At the beginning of the school year in Mr. Smith's classes, students are introduced to all engineering fields. An engineer is one who designs and implements new creations helpful to mankind. Students in Mr. Smith's class are able to design logos and drawings, and then on Fridays, they are able to engrave items brought from home. This activity promotes creativity and lifelong engineering skills required to become successful in future STEM-related careers.

STEM-related careers are projected to become a major staple and prominent component of Georgia's future workforce. Our very own Robins Air Force Base, located in Warner Robins, is looking for all types of engineers on a daily basis. They are unable to fulfill this daily need and, sometimes, must look to other resources outside of the country in order to hire more engineers. In order to become successful in today's global economy and in the 21st century, students must

be able to communicate effectively, work in a team, and become versatile in all areas of STEM. One way to achieve this goal is by providing different STEM-related fields in schools, which include CTAE courses. Our very own Houston County Career Academy, under the leadership of Mrs. Sabrina Phelps, is helping us reach this mission and goal!

Pictured is Eric Pernell, a junior at Veterans High School. The Houston County Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins. Mrs. 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 FCCLA Holds Chili Cook Off



FCCLA members and their parents served as judge and jury at the annual Chili cook off contest. The group had an opportunity to taste six entries. Water and milk were needed after sampling some of the more spicy recipes. Winners of the contest will advance to regional competition.

FCCLA member and parents are pictured judging chili cook off entries

HCCA FCCLA Installs New Officers

Houston County Career Academy is proud to announce the 2015 – 2016 FCCLA officers: Savannah Brown (NHS), President; Miranda Hoffman (HCHS), Vice President of Fundraising; Montavious Tolbert (WRHS) Vice President of Community Service; Kirsten Stowe (VHS), Treasurer; and Tyler Martucci (WRHS), Public Relations. The mission of FCCLA is to promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences Education. Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner and community leader, members develop skills for life through: character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation. Chef Aleena Bennett serves as the organization’s advisor.



Chef Bennett announcing the FCCLA chapter officers



At right, Miranda Hoffman, chapter Vice President and President of fundraising, lighting the second candle in the inauguration ceremony



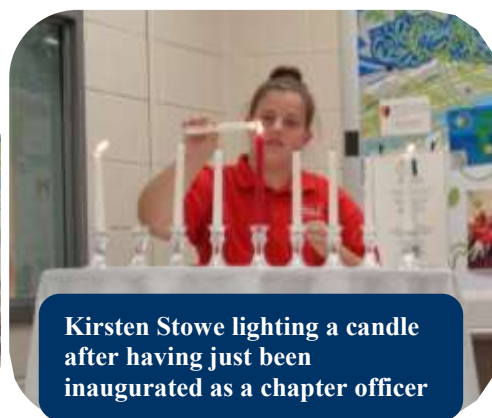
The officer candles after all having been lit by the new FCCLA officers



Savannah Brown, chapter President, giving her first speech as the new chapter President



Tyler Martucci lighting a candle after having just been inaugurated as a chapter officer



Kirsten Stowe lighting a candle after having just been inaugurated as a chapter officer



Montavious Tolbert lighting a candle after having just been inaugurated as a chapter officer

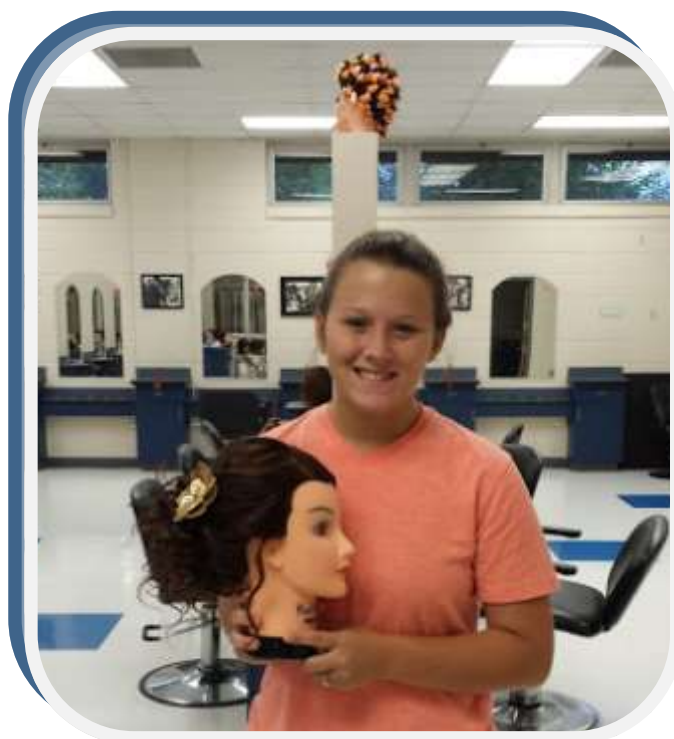
HCCA HOSA Student Attends National Leadership Conference



HCCA HOSA was well represented in Anaheim, California this year with HOSA president and state award winner, Emma Geister, who placed in the top 20 in Physical Therapy for the HOSA National Leadership Conference. Emma has represented HCCA and HOSA very well. She has completed two healthcare science pathways and is now enrolled in WBL with HCBE. She assists the physical and occupational therapists and their assistants in the capacity of a certified medical office assistant. HCCA is very proud of Emma and the opportunities that she has taken advantage of while being a student there!

HCCA Stylist of the Month—August

Kaitlyn Nesmith is Houston County Career Academy's August Stylist of the Month. Kaitlyn has just started the second year of the Personal Care Services (Cosmetology) Pathway. She earned a Shampoo Technical Certificate of Credit from Central Georgia Technical College last year. This year she will complete more advanced courses such as Haircutting, Chemical Texture Services and Styling. By the end of the school year, Kaitlyn will have earned a total of 21 credits in CGTC's Cosmetology Diploma Program. Kaitlyn, a senior at Perry High School, used various thermal iron techniques to create this glamorous pin-up style that she created on the manikin.



Adult Computer Classes Offered

Houston County School System employees began offering basic computer classes free of charge to our adult community in August. **All classes are taught from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday evenings.** There is 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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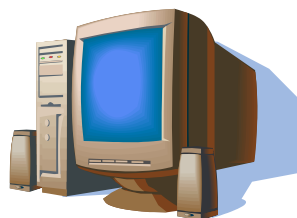
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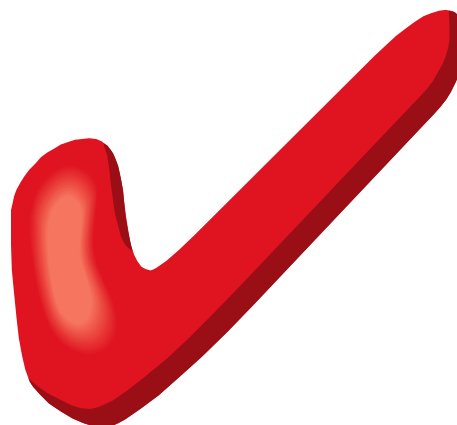
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1. Follow Wall of Fame instructions located on the CTAE page on SharePoint.
2. Submit pictures as attachments, not within the document.
3. Submit only one **brief description** and accompanying picture(s) per email.
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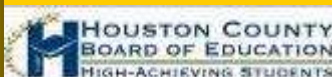
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