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Veterans High School's Gavin Wright won the State Grand Champion at this year's Georgia Junior National Livestock Show with his market barrow. There were almost 1,300 other hogs in this contest.

To compete on the state level with a show animal, hours of work and dedication are required. Gavin Wright had the support of the Veterans High FFA Chapter behind him, under the advisement of Dr. Clay Walker and Mr. Jeffrey Wilson. The Veterans High School FFA Chapter had further success at

the state show, as Ali Ikner took the Reserve Grand Limousin title with her show steer.

Pictured are Veterans FFA students Gavin Wright (above) and Ali Ikner (right), with their winning livestock. Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen. Dr. Lionel Brown serves as principal. For more information, contact the Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor, Dr. Clay Walker, at 478-218-7537, ext. 64030, or clay.walker@hcbe.net.



Perry
High



Houston County
Career Academy



Veterans
High



Northside
High



Warner Robins
High



Houston County
High

VHS Livestock Evaluation Teams Take Area Titles



The Veterans High School FFA Chapter had great success at the area Livestock Evaluation Competition, as both the Junior and Senior teams won the area titles and advanced to state. Senior Team members pictured above are Ali Ikner, Katie Kicklighter, Chase Gowan, and Madison Smith. The Junior Team was made up of Savannah Acock, Teresa Lindstrom, Channing Ferguson, and Caroline Thompson.

The competition requires students to evaluate four species of livestock: cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. Students are taught to evaluate classes of livestock and rank the animals based on value for either market or sustaining a breeding operation. Through this competition, they learn what is required in modern livestock programs and they develop speaking skills through sets of oral reasons given on the classes.

Pictured below are Junior Team members Savannah Acock, Teresa Lindstrom, Channing Ferguson, and Caroline Thompson with their coach, Dr. Clay Walker.



VHS FFA Wins Outstanding Secondary Agricultural Education Program for 2015



The Veterans High School Agricultural Education Department was recently named the Secondary Agricultural Education Program in Georgia for 2015. Following the success of its students in competitions and livestock exhibitions, Veterans was selected as one of six programs nominated by the Georgia Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association (GVATA). GVATA board members then judged applications provided by the programs of the school's teaching philosophy, methods of experiential instruction, and with evidence of the success of its students. After the judging was completed, Veterans finished first and will now represent Georgia at the next level of judging. Highlights of Veterans High School's outstanding year include showing the State Grand Champion Barrow at the Georgia Jr. Livestock Show and winning the

Georgia FFA Association's State Meats Evaluation and Technology Career Development Event. Veterans FFA Advisors Dr. Clay Walker (above) and Jeff Wilson (right) are very proud of the award and the students who made the success possible.



VHS FFA Students Win Area Proficiency Awards



Baylee Irby and Preston Sparks took the area titles in the Nursery Operations and Plant Systems respectively. This is awarded to students who, through their Supervised Agricultural Experiences, have developed specialized skills that they can apply toward their future careers.

Students that receive Proficiencies must keep detailed records of their progress, growth, and gained knowledge and skills in their respective area. The winning students demonstrated good record keeping skills and personal growth to claim the area title.

Baylee Irby (pictured at left) became interested in floral design her sixth grade year of Middle School and began pursuing a career in floral design. She began competing in Career Development Events, which led her to a job at The Daisy Patch Flower Shop. She began assisting in helping to design arrangements and now is a part-time employee who designs arrangements and helps with other tasks as needed.

Preston Sparks (not pictured) worked in maintaining the greenhouse at Veterans High School, specializing in the care of the Poinsettias, a notoriously sensitive plant. He created the needed fertilizer mixtures for the plants and worked to ensure that they would turn red at that correct time for the Christmas season by controlling the light that reached them.

Northside High School

NHS Plant Science Department Participates in Boxwoods & Blooms Garden Tour



The Annual Boxwoods and Blooms Garden Tour was held Mother's Day weekend, May 9th and 10th. The Tour is a fundraiser for The Centerville United Methodist Church. The Annual Boxwoods & Blooms Tour takes event attendees through beautiful landscapes while educating experienced and inspiring gardeners alike about the plants and flowers that make a garden become a true living space. This year, Northside High School Plant Science Department was one of the garden attractions. Attendees

were able to experience aeroponics, some of the latest technology impacting science and agriculture. Pictured above is Tim Overmire, showing some lettuce plants that the horticulture class grew with the aeroponic systems.

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



In the above picture, Skylar Holle explains how the aeroponic system allows students to grow up to 44 plants per tower using water and mineral nutrients.



NHS FFA Attends Georgia FFA Convention



GO ALL OUT!

April 23rd through the 25th, The Macon Coliseum hosted the 87th annual Georgia FFA Convention. At this convention, students were recognized for their outstanding achievement in Career Development Events, Proficiencies, Chapter achievements, and earning their State Degrees. Two of Northside's students made it to the finals with their proficiencies. Kayleigh Hale placed 3rd in her Agriculture Sales proficiency, and Sarah Price placed 3rd in her Emerging Technology proficiency. Kayleigh and Sarah received a plaque and twenty-five dollars for their accomplishment. Northside High School was also awarded with a plaque for one hundred percent FFA membership.

NHS Students Earn Eagle Apprentice Awards



On May 15, 2015, Northside High School seniors took part in the fifth annual Eagle Apprentice competition. Participants completed job applications, resumes, and cover letters in preparation for the event. Candidates were interviewed by Scott Deason of GEICO, Jim Maddox of Sphinx Printing, and Kaleb Smith (NHS graduate) of Discount Tire. After the interviews, Mr. Deason stated, "These were the best candidates I've seen in the five years we've been doing this." The final scores were very close; so close, in fact, that for the first time ever, co-winners were announced. Co-Eagle Apprentice Champions are Mekhi Witherspoon (pictured at below) and Lindsay Thomas (pictured at left).

Mekhi completed the Business and Technology Pathway and earned his Microsoft Office Specialist certification. He maintained great grades while also

being active in many school activities and working at Piggly Wiggly. Lindsay took several Business and Information Technology courses and worked at Zaxby's as a Work-Based Learning participant.

Both champions received gift bags which included gift cards and other wonderful prizes, along with certificates of achievement. Other competitors received certificates of participation. Northside High School Work-Based Learning Teacher, Sandi Couillard, coordinated the event, while Johnna Spires and Traci Jolley contributed to the gift bags.



NHS Pathway Completers

In May, 2015, Northside High School Career, Technical, and Agriculture Education students, who had completed all required courses in their pathway, took nationally recognized tests which measured student achievement in their pathways. Students receiving passing scores on their test(s) earned both certifications and honor cords to be worn during their graduation ceremony.

Business & Technology

Khari	Alston
Lakeasha	Johnson
Rebecca	Kipp
Acacia	Law
Lagarius	McNair
Dhruv	Patel
Helley	Patel
Adrianna	Taylor
Shakerria	Warren
Tiovanni	Winfield
Mekhi	Witherspoon
Nathan	Kearney

Early Childhood Education

Jasmine	Gray
Akira	Howard
Johnetta	Jones

Entrepreneurship

Kobe	Ayers
Anthony	Cappas
Jakorey	Curry
Nyla	Hall
Taylor	Harper
Cristian	Harrison
Joseph	Henry
John	Johnson
Jonathan	Jones
Nathan	Kearney
Timothy	Lloyd
Leonardo	Lopez
Zacharias	Murphy
Josh	Robinson
Nautica	Stanley
Joshua	Vickers
Aukira	Walker
Mekhi	Witherspoon

Food & Nutrition

Shauntiana	Talton
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Graphic Communications

Dhruv	Patel
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Graphic Design

Alanna	Allen
Jacob	Allen
Jazmin	Brown
Jacob	Creech
Damon	Kern
Pyae	Moe
Tyler	Nguyen
Zachary	Ogletree
Aniyah	Shealey
Corey	Smith
Makayla	Wilder

Horticulture

Brandon	Boss
Kayla	Boss
Jeana	Smart

Hospitality & Tourism - Sports & Entertainment

Dustin	Allen
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Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration

Kade	Semones
Jacob	Allen
Stephen	Askew
Jared	Bennett
Tyler	Black
Timothy	Campbell
Zachary	Card
Salaam	Goins
Jake	King
Jamaria	Lester
Scott	Linto
Logan	Lopez
Leonardo	Ortiz
Christopher	Pickens
Tristan	Thompson
Charles	Ussery
Dillon	Warren
Jacob	Wilcox
Troy	Windham
Blake	Corrigan

Marketing, Sales & Service – Marketing & Management

Marion	Kiefer
Yolmar	Mora Murillo
Taylor	Ritchey
Ebony	Warren
Chris	Wright
Marissa	Donaldson

Nutrition and Food Science

Shayla	Aguila
Jordan	Brown
Skyla	Crawford
Asia	Francois
Shabria	Giles
Brittany	Green
Erin	Hefferman
Kerra	Henne
Elexsia "Lexi"	Mallory
Wanda	Nelson
Tykiana	Shipman
Teanna	Smalls
Chelsea	Smith
Jillian	Tejeda
Destiny	Walker
Keondra	Walton
Makayla	Wilder



Warner Robins High School

WRHS FBLA Hosts Awards of Excellence Program



(Bottom Left to Right) Bria Neal, Baylee Jump, Aunesha Lane, Shayla Mann (Top Left to Right) Nicholas Loudermilk, Cassius Walker, Aquivious Burnette, Alec Campbell

WRHS FBLA hosted an Awards of Excellence Program on April 30, 2015. While at the program, the newly elected officers were installed into office and conducted the FBLA Emblem ceremony to illustrate the importance of its mission, bringing business and education together. Awards were given to members for Membership, Community Service, Leadership, Business Achievement, and Outstanding Member. Camille Bagwell, President 14-15, recognized Mr. James Kurzdorfer for his long-time commitment to the organization and Mr. Chris McCook for his outstanding service to the organization.

Warner Robins High School is located at 401 South Davis Drive. Mr. Steve Monday is Principal.



Aunesha Lane and Nicholas Loudermilk greeting award winners and guests.



Camille Bagwell, president of 14-15, conducting the Awards Ceremony.

Newly elected officers of the WRHS Chapter of FBLA for 2015-2016:

Parliamentarian – Cassius Walker
 Reporter – Alec Campbell
 Treasurer – Aquivious Burnette
 Secretary – Bria Neal
 Vice President of Membership – Baylee Jump
 Vice President of Communications – Nicholas Loudermilk
 Vice President of Projects – Aunesha Lane
 President – Aunesha Lane

WRHS National Technical Honor Society Installation and Induction Ceremony



WRHS National Technical Honor Society hosted an Installation and Induction Ceremony on April 14, 2015. While at the program, the newly elected officers were installed into office and conducted the NTHS Emblem ceremony to illustrate “The highest award for excellence in career and technical education”.

Newly elected officers of the WRHS Chapter of NTHS for 2015-2016 are:

Chairman: Madison Andrews
 Secretary – Andrew Revolt
 Vice President of Projects – Brian Wilson
 President – Leo Finkley

Members Inducted:

Sarah Abushanab (DECA)
 Jeremy King (FBLA)
 Madison Andrews (FBLA)
 Zavier Marjason (FBLA)
 Carlos Bloodworth (DECA)
 Meagan McMahan (DECA)
 Hayley Bostic (FBLA)
 Taylor Morgan (DECA)
 Renecia Callahan (DECA)
 Jonathan Porter (FBLA)

Tiny Chen (FBLA)
 Dustin Prioulx (SkillsUSA)
 Juleva Doan (DECA)
 Nathaniel Randall (DECA)
 Leo Finkley (DECA)
 Gabriel Randolph (SkillsUSA)
 Mackenzie Franklin (DECA)
 Tara Reisel (FBLA)
 Jaelynn Gillis (FBLA)
 Andrew Revolt (JROTC)

Abigail Griffith (JROTC)
 Jazz Ross (HOSA)
 Ania Heron (JROTC)
 Kadeah Tolbert (JROTC)
 Estefania Hernandez (FBLA)
 Kadyah Tolbert (JROTC)
 Thomas Hoyt IV (FBLA)
 Linda Watson (FFA)
 Harrison Jones (FBLA)



Outgoing President Camille Bagwell hands the gavel to Leo Finkley



WRHS DECA Students Compete at International DECA Conference



Pictured are Sarah Abushanab, Camille Bagwell, Mackenzie Franklin, Savannah Daly, Leo Finkley, Reniecia Callahan, Maegan McMahan, Alliana Malloy, Katie Monday and John Henry



Nine Warner Robins High School DECA students competed at the International DECA Career Development Conference in Orlando, FL. Leo Finkley, the GA DECA State President, participated in the Parade of Flags during the opening ceremony. He also attended the State Leadership Academy and was a voting delegate to elect the new national officer team. Sarah Abushanab, Mackenzie Franklin and Alliana Malloy competed in the School-based Enterprise Competition and Workshop. Katie Monday and Maegan McMahan were competitors in the Business Law and Ethics Team Decision Making Event and Reniecia Callahan and Savannah Daly competed in the Buying and Merchandising Team Decision Making Event. Camille Bagwell qualified for the Food Marketing Event and was recognized with the Award of Excellence for scoring over 70% on her exam and over 70% on her two role plays. Stacy Summers is the advisor.



WRHS Business Classes Earn Certification



**Xavier
Marjason**

**Bryan
Thompson**



**Julian Roberts, Alex Bartlett, Zach Nall,
Cameron Owings, Melissa Green, and
Ryla Christian**



James Pressey and Greg Gilbert



**David Smith, Nathanael Tidwell, Tara
Reigel, and Noah Newton**



**Autumn Jones, Harrison Jones, Nicholas
Loudermilk, and David Purser**



**Faith Biekler, Bryson Saunders, and
Oneya Butler**



**Milagros Reyes, Jhi'min Stripling, Ngan
(Stephanie) Phong, and Nasia Blanson**

WRHS Introduction to Business and Technology and Business and Technology trained all year on Gmetrix and took the Microsoft office certification test. 19 students passed Microsoft Word, six students passed Microsoft Excel, and two students passed PowerPoint.

Exam-Microsoft Office Word

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|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Alexander Bartlett | Melissa Green |
| Barbara Reigel | Milagros Reyes |
| Bryan Thompson | Nasia Blanson |
| Cameron Owings | Ngan Phong |
| David Purser | Nicholas O'Neal Loudermilk |
| Greg Gilbert | Oneya Butler |
| Harrison Jones | Ryla Christian |
| James Pressey | Zachary Nall |
| Janiya Bryant | |
| Jhi'min Stripling | |
| Julian Roberts | |

Exam-Microsoft Office Excel 2010

- Autumn Jones
- Bryson Saunders
- David Smith
- Nathanael Tidwell
- Noah Newton
- Tara Reigel

Exam-Microsoft Office PowerPoint 2010

- Faith Bieker
- James Pressey

Houston County High School

HCHS Early Childhood Education Students Visit Georgia College and State University



Houston County High Early Childhood Education students recently visited Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville to tour the campus and learn about the School of Education requirements. Javier Francisco, Associate Director of Enrollment Management discussed entrance requirements and cost with the students and Dr. Lyndall Mushell gave a brief orientation about the School of Education. A Student Ambassador toured the students around campus, where they were able to view a dorm room, student activity center and other buildings. Attending the fieldtrip were Anyelika Carambot, Brooklyn Broome, LaTria Harrison, Marian Coleman, Haley Walker, Abby Damore, DeAsia West, Graysen Parrish, Jasmin Denning, Alli Williams, Ashontie Davis, Allison Gibson, Symona Harris, Dominique Turner, Kayley Bussell, Ashley Sadler, Dalena Williams, Karina Lopez, Kayla Wynn and Brianna Braud. HCHS Early Childhood Education Instructors, Jane Cooper and Stephanie Cheak, accompanied the students on the trip.

Houston County High School is located at 920 Highway 96 in Warner Robins where Dr. Douglas Rizer is Principal and Mr. Wesley Martin is CTAE Supervisor.

HCHS FCCLA Wins Awards at State Leadership Conference



Houston County High Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) won numerous awards at the annual State Leadership Conference held at the Classic Center in Athens. The chapter was 2014-15 Chapter of the

Year, won the State News Award and the Financial Fitness National Program Award. Participating in STAR Event competition and winning Gold medals were: Madeline Merritt and Haley Tierce in Chapter Service Project Display, Shewta Patel in National Programs in Action Junior, Illianna Esquivel, Bobbie Melden and Konner Smith in National Programs in Action Occupational, Brittney Hammond and Miracle Rumph in National Programs in Action Senior, and Morgan Shepard in Sports Nutrition. Winning Silver medals were Emory Jolley, Dedan McFadden and Noah Prickett in Chapter in Review Portfolio Junior, Brayden Hicks in Chapter Service Project Portfolio Senior, Skyler Alexander in Illustrated Talk, and Laurel Gaskin in Promote and Publicize Junior. Advancing to national competition in Washington D.C. in July are Zya Crawford in Career Investigation Junior, Shivani Patel in Chapter in Review Portfolio Senior, Kelly Gunerman and Lohgan Vasquez in Chapter in Review Display Occupational, Kasy Leahy and Desiree Singleton in Chapter in Review Display Senior, Abby Brown in Focus on Children Junior, and Cori Calvert and Amber Wright in Illustrated Talk Senior. The Chapter advisors are Lynsey Singleton and Jane Cooper.



HCHS FCCLA Students Receives Awards



Houston County High senior, Shivani Dhir, was awarded the Frances King, the Janet McGarity Barber, and the Myrtice Edenfield scholarships at the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) State Leadership Conference held at The Classic Center in Athens. Dhir, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sarwan Dhir, has served as FCCLA National Vice President of Community Service and is a former FCCLA State President. She will be attending the University of Georgia in the Fall. Lynsey Singleton and Jane Cooper have served as her FCCLA advisors at HCHS for four years.



Houston County High senior, Kasey Leahy, was awarded the Georgia Teachers of Family and Consumer Science (GATFACS) scholarship at the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) State Leadership Conference. The conference was held at The Classic Center in Athens. Leahy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Leahy, has competed in STAR Events at the regional, state and national levels, and will be attending the FCCLA National Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. in July. She served as the HCHS 2014-15 Chapter President and will be attending Valdosta State University in the Fall. Lynsey Singleton and Jane Cooper are her FCCLA advisors.



Houston County Career Academy

HCCA Engineering Class Learning Civil Engineering Through Bridge Design



The Houston County Career Academy's Engineering Class, taught by Mr. William Smith Jr, is studying Civil Engineering. Civil Engineering is a branch of engineering that deals with the construction of buildings, structures, bridges, and roads. As a civil engineering project, Mr. Smith tasked the engineering class to design a bridge with the following parameters: 18 inches long, four to six inches tall, and four to six inches wide. Once the bridge is constructed, Mr. Smith's class will held a competition to determine which bridge holds the most weight.

Civil Engineering is one of the many different engineering disciplines. Other engineering disciplines include electrical engineering, computer engineering, mechanical engineering, chemical engineering, and aerospace engineering. Robins Air Force Base is constantly looking for engineers of many different disciplines on a daily basis. The Houston County Career Academy's Engineering Pathway introduces high school students to the vast world of engineering and teaches these students how to become an engineer, work as a team, and complete engineering projects. The goal of the Engineering Pathway is to have students study engineering at the post-secondary level.

Pictured is Perry High School student, Abigail Spratling. 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 Celebrates Success

Georgia, like many other career and technical education programs around the nation, has worked in recent years to establish a measurement mechanism to ascertain the level of technical skill attainment on behalf of its career pathway completers. One hundred eighty four students attending HCCA has not only completed three courses in a pathway but has also earned an industry certification and or credential.

AUTOMOTIVE



L-R Jimmy Jones (Instructor), Jordon Doss (HCHS), Dylan Bridges (PHS), Derrick Williams (NHS), Roman Deluna (HCHS), Enrique Sotomayer (HCHS), Jordan Pierce (NHS)

Certified Nursing Assistants



FRONT ROW, L-R Ashley Richardson (VHS), Alona Holmes (VHS), Jasmine Wesley (HCHS), Jalessa Ball (PHS), Alexis Myrick (HCHS). BACK ROW, L-R Brittany Elliot (VHS), Sunshine Walton (NHS), Christian Samuel (WRHS), Lamoya Lawrence (WRHS), Alexis Cruthirds (WRHS), Courtney McNeal (PHS)

HCCA Celebrates Success (continued)



Earned Both
Certified
Nursing
Assistants &
Medical
Office
Assistants

FRONT ROW, L-R Alona Holmes (VHS), Christian Samuel (WRHS), Alexis Cruthirds (WRHS)
BACK ROW, L-R Ashley Richardson (VHS), Brittany Elliot (VHS), Sunshine Walton (NHS)
Not pictured: Zachery Dobin (HCHS), Emma Geister (VHS), Natalie Wheelless (PHS)

COSMETOLOGY



FIRST ROW, L-R: Yessica Garza (NHS), Shalandra Askew (HCHS), Justyce Askew (WRHS), Semajia Marshall (VHS), Asia Thurman (HCHS), Ashley Hosler (HCHS); SECOND ROW, L-R: Janay Heath (HCHS), Kashlyn Dellemar (WRHS), Shaquiez Davis (PHS), Dhestinyae Radford (WRHS), Princess Holmes (HCHS), Kadeah Tolbert (WRHS), Jalynn Minger (NHS), Eboni Alejo (WRHS); THIRD ROW, L-R: Amber Montford (NHS), Sydney Lister (PHS), Alexis James (VHS), Taylor Lee (HCHS), Benita Scott (NHS), Aaliyah Townsend (HCHS), Ericka Jones (HCHS); NOT PICTURED: Mikeah Gaillard (VHS), Mollie Gillan (NHS), Carol Bass (HCCA), Sarah Hockett (VHS), Ashley Reynolds (HCHS), Ashley Wilson (VHS), Rebekah Zemaitis (VHS)

HCCA Celebrates Success (continued)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE



FIRST ROW, L-R: Desiree Kimbrough (HCHS), Johanna Macias (VHS), Autumn Taylor (NHS), Nekya Gaillard (VHS), Dr. Blunt (Instructor);
BACK ROW, L-R: Bria Cannon (VHS), Aaron Norris (HCHS), Kadyah Tolbert (WRHS), Kiley Lo (VHS), Arjai English (PHS); NOT PICTURED: Haley Warren (NHS)

CULINARY ARTS—Certified Junior Culinarian



FRONT ROW, L-R: Brandy Floyd (NHS), Essen Giles (WRHS), Phillip Doan (VHS), Alexandra Guest (VHS), Tyler Martucci (WRHS); MIDDLE ROW, L-R: Leann Harper (VHS); BACK ROW, L-R: Makayla Abernathy (NHS), Shikerra Thomas (NHS), Delvechio Williams (WRHS)

HCCA Celebrates Success (continued)



ENGINEERING

William Smith (Instructor),
Catherine Taylor (VHS)

HCCA Electronics Class Uses Teamwork to Build a Structure



The Houston County Career Academy's Electronics Class, taught by Mr. William Smith Jr, uses teamwork to build a structure. The structure had to be made entirely from cardboard. Students were able to use tape or glue to hold their structure together. The structure that held the most weight won the challenge! This type of activity promoted teamwork, communication skills, and critical thinking skills that are essential to the success of students in today's workforce.

Students in Mr. Smith's Electronics class are preparing themselves to be electronic engineers, electronics technicians, or electronics workers. A major component in these fields is teamwork because in order to get the job done well on a worksite, one must be able to work in a team and be able to communicate or convey their ideas. Electronics engineers may have to work with engineers of different engineering disciplines to complete a project and may have to communicate with other electronics engineers if they have questions about an electronic design. In order to be successful in today's world, industry, and occupations, one must be able to communicate effectively and work in a team as a positive contributor.

Pictured (left to right) is Gerald Pinkney, Veterans High, Kendarius Chatmon, Northside High, Dylan Williams, Veterans High, Anun Amonchomchupong, Houston County High, Tarun McFatten, Perry High, and Patrick Hughes, Warner Robins High.

HCCA Holds Mock Trials



Dr. Blunt's students at the Houston County Career Academy participated in mock trials. It was an act or imitation of a real trial. Mock trials are an effective learning tool for students of all grade levels. It helps them understand the law, practice critical thinking, and gain greater confidence with public speaking by assuming the roles of attorneys and witnesses in a fictional criminal or civil trial. Participants experienced first-hand the difficulties that judges, lawyers and juries face in determining which facts are relevant and what legal arguments are effective.

This years presiding Judge was the Honorable Judge L.A. McConnell of Houston County.



Youth Apprenticeship Facilitator Graduates from Georgia Academy for Economic Development



Pictured (L to R) Jim Lovett, Georgia Power, from Houston County: Kristine Thornburg, Randy Toms, Pella Murphy, Jon Nichols and Jade Morey, Pat Merritt, Georgia EMC

Kristine Thornburg, Youth Apprenticeship facilitator for Houston County Schools recently graduated from the Georgia Academy for Economic Development. Class participants represented a number of professional and non-professional economic development fields, including elected officials, public servants, business leaders, educators, and social service providers from 11 counties in the Middle Georgia region. The Academy provided each of the graduates an opportunity to gain a unique understanding of the complexities of economic and community development on the local, regional, and state levels.

Created in 1993, the Academy assembles a cross section of economic development professionals and resources to provide this training in all twelve service delivery regions in Georgia. The Board of Directors of the Academy represent public and private economic development organizations and agencies from across Georgia. Since its organization, the Academy has provided training for thousands of professional and non-professional economic developers around the state, and since 1998 the Academy has been offered annually. Georgia EMC and Georgia Power provide facilitators for the program, and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs provides staff support to this important program.

“One of the goals for the multi-day regional Academies is to encourage multi-county cooperation,” says Corinne Thornton, Director of the Georgia Academy for Economic Development. “Many times the participants discover the issues facing their community are the same as those facing other communities in their region, and can then combine limited resources to address the issue.”

The Academy’s multi-day program, taught one day a month over a four-month period, includes training in the basics of economic and community development, plus specialized segments on business recruitment and retention, tourism product development, downtown development, planning, and other essentials for community success. In addition, the curriculum features specific leadership skills such as consensus building, ethics in public service, collaborative leadership and other segments needed for effective community leadership in economic development.

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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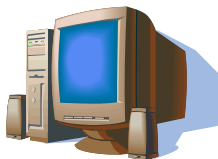
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Warner Robins High



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Crossroads Center

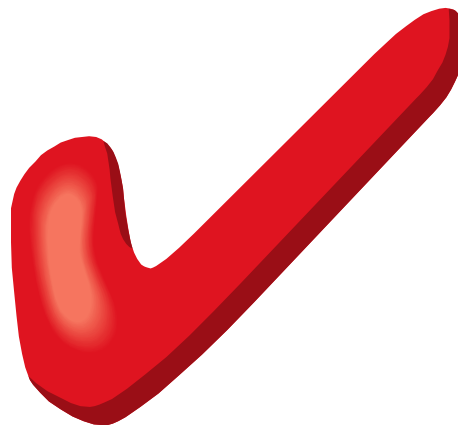


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3. Submit only one **brief description** and accompanying picture(s) per email.
4. Submit by the 5th of each month.
5. Submit to lorrie.nix@hcbe.net



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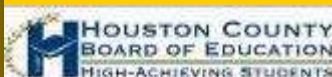
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The *Wall of Fame*, is Houston County's monthly Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education newsletter. This is our effort to keep you informed of the many positive activities going on in the Career, Technical, and Agricultural programs of Houston County. Complete details on these newsworthy topics may have already appeared in the local newspapers. The newsletter serves as a short recap of events.

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