

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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NEBRASKA FBLA RECOGNIZES STATE AWARD WINNERS

The Nebraska Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) recently recognized the winners of its state competitive events and named new officers.

More than 2,000 students and advisers from 109 Nebraska schools attended the Nebraska FBLA State Leadership Conference in Omaha. Members competed in more than 60 chapter, team and individual events.

The 2009-2010 Nebraska FBLA State Officers are:

Tyler Wellman, Syracuse High School, president
Josiah Hood, Bellevue West High School, vice president
Jessica Hansen, Dorchester High School, secretary
Amy Chin, Columbus Lakeview High School, treasurer
Curtis Reynolds, Tri County High School, reporter
Jenna Woitaszewski, Wood River High School, parliamentarian

Outstanding Local Chapter Adviser

Cindy Talley, Fillmore Central FBLA Chapter

Members receiving first, second and third place awards are:

Accounting I

First place: Sydney Brummels, Osmond High School
Second place: Sondra Buller, Heartland High School
Third place: Lyndsey Stessman, Gretna High School

Accounting II

First place: Crista Buller, Heartland High School
Second place: Kim Goossen, Heartland High School
Third place: James McDonald, Aurora High School

American Enterprise Project

First place: Fillmore Central High School
Second place: Twin River High School
Third place: Elmwood-Murdock High School

Banking and Financial Systems

First place: Claire Volk, Kathryn Vampola and Molly Miller, Arlington High School

Second place: Amanda Smith, Noah Carpenter and Eric Holley, Omaha Northwest High School

Third place: Shelby Budler and Zach Bargaen, Chadron High School

Business Calculations

First place: Remi Rotthaus, Lincoln East High School

Second place: Kevin Thor, Stanton High School

Third place: Lyndsey Stessman, Gretna High School

Business Communication

First place: Matt Martin, York High School

Second place: Curtis Reynolds, Tri County High School

Third place: Lyndsey Stessman, Gretna High School

Business Ethics

First place: Joel Ratzlaff and Trent Werner, Aurora High School

Second place: Jordan Bowman, Elizabeth Pegler and Shannon Ronhovde, Elmwood-Murdock High School

Third place: Hanna Harmon and Martha Spangler, Auburn High School

Business Financial Plan

First place: Jonah Jordening, Brooke Hofstetter and Dustin Rohr, Meridian High School

Second place: Alex Raun and Sydney Stadler, Minden High School

Third place: Mitch Kunz, Allison Moore and Tyler Wellman, Syracuse High School

Business Law

First place: Lyndsey Stessman, Gretna High School

Second place: Christian Widhalm, Aurora High School

Third place: Silas Pederson, Gretna High School

Business Math

First place: Connor Bohlken, Syracuse High School

Second place: Michael Liou, Lincoln East High School

Third place: Will Ebke, Fairbury High School

Business Plan

First place: Brooke Ballou, Cambridge High School

Second place: MaryAlice Karel, Johnson-Brock High School

Third place: Allison Johnson and Taylor Johnson, Meridian High School

Business Presentation

First place: Kayla Alberts, Tessa Wellsandt and Amanda Teten, Johnson-Brock High School

Second place: Maggie Schneider and Kaleb Shivley, Aurora High School

Third place: Amanda Brewer, Ross Mumford and Staci Ronhovde, Elmwood-Murdock High School

Business Procedures

First place: Griffin Hovorka, Elmwood-Murdock High School

Second place: Joseph Chapman, Fillmore Central High School

Third place: Tessa Wellsandt, Johnson-Brock High School

Client Service

First place: Jake Bauer, Cozad High School

Second place: James Van Pelt, Aurora High School

Third place: Kaitlin Coziahr, Westside High School

Community Service Project

First place: Bellevue West High School
Second place: Elmwood-Murdock High School
Third place: Raymond Central High School

Computer Applications

First place: Haley Dutton, Meridian High School
Second place: Amy Chin, Lakeview High School
Third place: Lexi Giddings, Gibbon High School

Computer Game and Simulation Programming

First place: Gabriel Gardner, Omaha Bryan High School
Second place: Matt Estabrook, Omaha Bryan High School

Computer Problem Solving

First place: Brian Brazeal, Bellevue West High School
Second place: Aaron Jones, Bellevue West High School
Third place: Ethan Triplett, Bellevue West High School

Cyber Security

First place: Matt Martin, York High School
Second place: Caden Zach, Humphrey St. Francis High School
Third place: Brian Brazeal, Bellevue West High School

Database Design and Applications

First place: Allison Johnson, Meridian High School
Second place: Taylor Johnson, Meridian High School
Third place: Kealy Schilke, Cedar Bluffs High School

Desktop Application Programming

First place: Gabriel Gardner, Omaha Bryan High School
Second place: Dan Dugan, Elkhorn High School
Third place: Ethan Seagren, Elkhorn High School

Desktop Publishing

First place: Jessica Wagner and Sara Gentzler, Gretna High School
Second place: Emily Case and Liz Case, Gibbon High School
Third place: Kelsey Loontjer and Sheila Heitmann, Thayer Central High School

Digital Video Production

First place: Ronny Sorensen and Kevin Hall, Silver Lake High School
Second place: William Raun and Anna Anderson, Minden High School
Third place: Cullon Hecox and Jordan Curtice, Cozad High School

E-business

First place: Allison Kuhlman, Nikki Novak and Erin Dwyer, Elmwood-Murdock High School
Second place: Ashley Wood and Neale Stadler, Minden High School
Third place: Ashley Axmann, Trent Pritchard and Kelsi Vest, Pleasanton High School

Economics

First place: Christian Widhalm, Aurora High School
Second place: Remi Rotthaus, Lincoln East High School
Third place: Isha Jain, Lincoln East High School

Electronic Career Portfolio

First place: Laura Ruskamp, Johnson-Brock High School
Second place: Shayna Dwyer, Elmwood-Murdock High School
Third place: Lauren Bygland, Boone Central High School

Emerging Business Issues

First place: Kayla Alberts, Kayla Fisher and Caleb Mayfield, Johnson-Brock High School
Second place: Victoria Rosenboom, Christy Laughlin and Megan Scholting, Elmwood-Murdock High School
Third place: Tyler Wellman, Stephanie Rodgers and Timothy Goepfert, Syracuse High School

Entrepreneurship

First place: Jacob Shaffer, James McDonald and Kyle McCarthy, Aurora High School
Second place: Griffin Hovorka, Victoria Rosenboom and Lance Steffen, Elmwood-Murdock High School
Third place: Chad Yang, Harris Ramm and Quentin McMurphy, Omaha Benson High School

FBLA Principles and Procedures

First place: Joslynn VanDerslice, Lakeview High School
Second place: Stephanie Teten, Johnson-Brock High School
Third place: Seth Berggren, Blair High School

Future Business Leader

First place: Allison Skidmore, Fairbury High School
Second place: Isha Jain, Lincoln East High School
Third place: MaryAlice Karel, Johnson-Brock High School

Global Business

First place: Emily Korus, Kathryn Vampola and Lindsey Grove, Arlington High School
Second place: Isha Jain, Jimmy Wang and Remi Rotthaus, Lincoln East High School
Third place: Jordan Bledsoe, Ryan Daly and Theresa Nguyen, Papillion-LaVista South High School

Help Desk

First place: Brian Brazeal, Bellevue West High School
Second place: Charles Beckler, Friend High School
Third place: Sam Woitaszewski, Wood River High School

Impromptu Speaking

First place: Nathan Gay, Twin River High School
Second place: Nancy Seeman, Stanton High School
Third place: Alex Adams, York High School

Introduction to Business

First place: Ryan Kula, Gretna High School
Second place: Andy Nelson, Platteview High School
Third place: Kelsey Martinsen, Cedar Rapids High School

Introduction to Business Communication

First place: Amy Chin, Lakeview High School
Second place: Ryan Lunz, Laurel-Concord High School
Third place: Desiree Bartels, Meridian High School

Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure

First place: Stephanie Teten, Johnson-Brock High School

Second place: Morgan Jones, Dundy County Stratton High School

Third place: Michaela Lutz, Dundy County Stratton High School

Introduction to Technology Concepts

First place: Curtis Karel, Johnson-Brock High School

Second place: Ben Fox, Dundy County Stratton High School

Third place: Will Ebke, Fairbury High School

Job Interview

First place: Nathan Gay, Twin River High School

Second place: Shelby Budler, Chadron High School

Third place: Nancy Seeman, Stanton High School

Keyboarding Knowledge

First place: Amber Hagerbaumer, Twin River High School

Second place: Shannon Ronhovde, Elmwood-Murdock High School

Third place: Ben Cromwell, Twin River High School

Local Chapter Annual Business Report

First place: Twin River High School

Second place: Omaha Northwest High School

Third place: Blair High School

Management Decision Making

First place: Leslie Graves, Kaci Hixson and Dylan Janzen, Aurora High School

Second place: Amanda Smith, Shelby Hildreth and Eric Holley, Omaha Northwest High School

Third place: Brianna Frickenstein, Grant Nordby and Nancy Seeman, Stanton High School

Management Information Systems

First place: Nathan Allgood and Garrett Schwindt, Auburn High School

Marketing

First place: Crista Buller, Heartland High School

Second place: Drew Oswald, Lutheran High Northeast, Norfolk

Third place: Amanda Dunekacke, Johnson-Brock High School

Network Design

First place: Aaron Jones and Ethan Triplett, Bellevue West High School

Second place: Jacob Bojanski and Jacob Bowen, Omaha Bryan High School

Third place: Amanda Thayer and Mackenzie Renkema, Bellevue East High School

Networking Concepts

First place: Ethan Triplett, Bellevue West High School

Second place: Brian Brazeal, Bellevue West High School

Third place: Aaron Jones, Bellevue West High School

Parliamentary Procedure Team

First place: Alexis Carter, Brianna Turek, Jenna Woitaszewski and Sam Woitaszewski, Wood River High School

Second place: Joseph Chapman, Sally Moore, Sam Rickert and Alex Shaner, Fillmore Central High School

Third place: Michelle Draper, Kendra Nebel, Meagan Patensky and Molly Storm, Raymond Central High School

Parliamentary Procedure Individual

First place: Jenna Woitaszewski, Wood River High School
Second place: Brianna Turek, Wood River High School
Third place: Joseph Chapman, Fillmore Central High School

Partnership with Business

First place: Twin River High School
Second place: Elmwood-Murdock High School
Third place: Chadron High School

Personal Finance

First place: Matt Collins, Tri County High School
Second place: Joseph Chapman, Fillmore Central High School
Third place: Tessa Wellsandt, Johnson-Brock High School

Proofreading

First place: Amy Chin, Lakeview High School, Columbus
Second place: Morgan Duff, Gretna High School
Third place: Kelly Langin, Roncalli Catholic High School, Omaha

Public Speaking I

First place: Monica Lu, Lincoln East High School
Second place: Shannon Dierking, Johnson-Brock High School
Third place: Jacob Bunker, Kearney High School

Public Speaking II

First place: Bethany Wilcox, Raymond Central High School
Second place: Grant Thomas, Lincoln Southwest High School
Third place: Kelli Barta, Bellevue East High School

Spelling

First place: Amy Chen, Gibbon High School
Second place: Ryan Lunz, Laurel-Concord High School
Third place: Rebekka White, Maywood High School

Sports Management

First place: Cassie Beale, Fillmore Central High School
Second place: Adam Miller, Osmond High School
Third place: Colby Argo, Southern High School

Spreadsheet Applications

First place: Jonah Jordening, Meridian High School
Second place: Brandie Sykes, Meridian High School
Third place: Megan Aschoff, Norfolk Catholic High School

Technology Concepts

First place: Brian Brazeal, Bellevue West High School
Second place: Sam Woitaszewski, Wood River High School
Third place: Brian Clymer, Lincoln Southeast High School

Web Site Development

First place: MaKayla Rutt, Minden High School
Second place: Adam Ripp and Brady Darby, Pleasanton High School
Third place: Lindsey Rogers and Alyson Young, Cozad High School

Word Processing I

First place: Ashley Quiring, Heartland High School
Second place: Amy Chin, Lakeview High School, Columbus
Third place: Taylor Marten, Sandhills High School

Word Processing II

First place: Nancy Seeman, Stanton High School
Second place: Dustin Rohr, Meridian High School
Third place: Chelsea Holt, Sandhills High School

Students receiving first, second and third place in most events qualify for the FBLA National Leadership Conference, July 13-18 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Other Nebraska FBLA state award recognitions include:

Outstanding Chapter Reporter

Kelsey Cherry, Twin River High School

Delta Pi Epsilon Leadership Awards

12th Grade – Alyse Andreasen, Twin River High School
11th Grade – Kelsey Cherry, Twin River High School
10th Grade – Tabitha Urban, Arlington High School
9th Grade – Rich Black, Waverly High School
8th Grade – Kodi Hernes, Arlington High School

Scholarship Recipients

- \$100 Phi Beta Lambda Scholarship: Alyse Andreasen, Twin River High School and Daniel Kistler, Grand Island Northwest High School
- Phi Beta Lambda State and National Dues Scholarships: MaryAlice Karel, Johnson-Brock High School; Lindsay Grove, Arlington High School; Maranda Laughlin, Bellevue East High School
- \$250 FBLA Scholarships sponsored by Gallup: Megan Wolfe, Raymond Central High School and MaryAlice Karel, Johnson-Brock High School

March of Dimes Mission Triangle Excellence Award

Twin River High School and Bellevue East High School

National Business Achievement Awards, Leader Level

Tabitha Urban, Arlington High School
Tyler Wellman, Syracuse High School
Amanda Sutton, Ashley Kelly, Jackie Engstrom, Kelsey Cherry, Kirstin Cromwell and Stephanie Seely, Twin River High School
Jenna Woitaszewski, Wood River High School

Adviser Service Recognition Awards

25 years: Kathy Dobesh, Litchfield High School

- 15 years: Patti Salyard, Columbus Scotus High School; Nick Jarzynka, Elkhorn High School and Ron Long, Sumner-Eddyville-Miller High School
- 10 years: Julie Jensen, Aurora High School; Jennifer Coe, Crete High School; Lisa Bohling, Diller-Odell High School; April Knust, Ewing High School; Sylvia Smith, Johnson-Brock High School; Shari Schlichtemeier, Ogallala High School and Barb Shanahan, Wahoo High School
- 5 years: John Matzen, Lincoln North Star High School; Billy Wilson, North Platte High School; Patti Layer, Platteview High School and Karma Yantzie, Shickley High School

Honorary Life Member Award

Richard Katt, Nebraska Department of Education, Lincoln

Nebraska FBLA National Businessperson of the Year

Chuck Pickering, Syracuse

Nebraska FBLA Business of the Year

Two Rivers State Bank, Arlington