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NEBRASKA FBLA STUDENTS RECEIVE NATIONAL AWARDS

Fifty-one Nebraska Future Business Leaders of America students recently received 28 of the Top 10 Awards at the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Nashville. Students placing first, second or third in state competition competed July 14-17 at the national conference.

Allison Skidmore of Fairbury High School took top honors with first place in Future Business Leader.

The 51 Top 10 award winners are:

First Place

- Allison Skidmore of Fairbury High School, Future Business Leader
- Jenna Woitaszewski, Brianna Turek and Alexis Carter of Wood River High School and Sally Moore of Fillmore Central High School, Parliamentary Procedure Team

Second Place

- Joseph Chapman of Fillmore Central High School, Business Procedures
- Erin Dwyer, Allison Kuhlman and Nikki Novak of Elmwood-Murdock High School, E-business
- Tyler Wellman of Syracuse High School, Ashley Wood of Minden High School, Lance Johnson of Bellevue West High School, Noah Carpenter of Omaha Northwest High School, Isaac Thompson of Arlington High School, Jenna Woitaszewski of Wood River High School and Meagan Palensky and Lauren Schneider of Raymond Central High School, State Chapter Annual Business Report

Third Place

- Alex Shaner, Rebecca Eichelberger and Sam Rickert of Fillmore Central High School, American Enterprise Project
- Allison Johnson and Taylor Johnson of Meridian High School, Business Plan
- Laura Ruskamp of Johnson-Brock High School, Electronic Career Portfolio
- Nancy Seeman of Stanton, Job Interview

Fourth Place

- Makayla Rutt of Minden High School, Web Site Development

Fifth Place

- Alex Raun and Sydney Stadler of Minden High School, Business Financial Plan
- Jake Bauer of Cozad High School, Client Service
- Brian Brazeal of Bellevue West High School, Help Desk
- Ashley Quiring of Heartland Community School, Word Processing I

Sixth Place

- Crista Buller of Heartland Community School, Accounting II
- Kyle McCarthy, James McDonald and Jacob Shaffer of Aurora High School, Entrepreneurship

- Ryan Lunz of Laurel-Concord High School, Introduction to Business Communication
- Aaron Jones and Ethan Triplett of Bellevue West High School, Network Design

Seventh Place

- Sara Gentzler and Jessica Wagner of Gretna High School, Desktop Publishing
- Anna Anderson and William Raun of Minden High School, Digital Video Production
- Grant Thomas of Lincoln Southwest High School, Public Speaking II

Eighth Place

- James Van Pelt of Aurora High School, Client Service
- Griffin Hovorka and Lance Steffen of Elmwood-Murdock High School, Entrepreneurship
- Amy Chin of Lakeview High School in Columbus, Introduction to Business Communication
- Shelby Budler of Chadron High School, Job Interview

Ninth Place

- Neale Stadler and Ashley Wood of Minden High School, E-business
- Rachel Salyers of Cedar Bluffs High School, Help Desk

Tenth Place

- Brooke Ballou of Cambridge High School, Business Plan

National Business Achievement Awards – America Level (top award in this four-level program)

- Chelsea Holt of Sandhills High School

The following received awards in national recognition events:

- Jenna Woitaszewski of Wood River High School was named to Who's Who in FBLA
- Cindy Talley of Fillmore Central High School was recognized as Nebraska's Outstanding Local Adviser

The following members completed terms on the FBLA Mountain Plains Region Executive Board:

- Amy Chin of Columbus Lakeview High School, Treasurer and Webmaster
- Alyse Andreasen of Twin River High School, Communications Director
- Curtis Reynolds of Tri County High School, Vice President's Assistant

Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit

Arlington High School, Blair High School, Dundy County Stratton High School, Elmwood-Murdock High School, Fillmore Central High School, Gibbon High School, Johnson-Brock High School, Lakeview High School, Litchfield High School, Minden High School, Omaha Northwest High School, Pleasanton High School, Raymond Central High School, Sandhills High School, Sandy Creek High School, Syracuse High School, Tri County High School, Twin River High School, Wilber-Clatonia High School and Wood River High School

Mountain Plains Region Recognitions

Nebraska Awards

- Second Place, Largest State Chapter Membership
- Second Place, Largest State Chapter – Professional Division

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