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FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA ANNOUNCES 2011 STATE CONFERENCE WINNERS

The Nebraska Family, Career and Community Leaders of America announced today state competition winners.

FCCLA held its state competition April 3-5 in Lincoln. About 1,200 delegates from 102 state chapters attended the conference.

FCCLA is a youth-lead organization that focuses on family.

State Event:

Consumer Issues, Junior Level: Jeff Bertschinger, Andrew Klintworth, Dilan Hingst of Bloomfield High School

Family Challenges and Issues, Junior Level: Emme Brown, Baylee Egenberger, Sage Martin of Elm Creek High School

Family Challenges and Issues, Senior Level: Miranda Schnebel of Battle Creek High School

Health and Wellness, Junior Level: Kimi Hiatt of West Boyd High School

Health and Wellness, Senior Level: Mikala deKoning, Terra Hinrichsen of Humboldt-Table Rock-Steinauer High School

Students who won national events will compete in July in Anaheim.

National Event:

Advocacy, Junior Level: Trey Mueller and Abby Walter of Archbishop Fremont-Bergan High School

Advocacy, Senior Level: Brady Shaw, Lexi Roth and Ashley Oltman of Milford High School

Applied Technology, Junior Level: Taylor Hill and Bryce Taylor of Fairbury High School

Applied Technology, Senior Level: Kelsey Moore and Becca Vossler of Exeter-Milligan High School

Career Investigation, Junior Level: Shelby Stultz of St. Edward Jr. High School

Career Investigation, Senior Level: Jaci Heinemann of Kearney High School

Chapter Service Display, Junior Level: Ceara Roundy, D'Nae Grandberry and Brooke Orr of Maxwell High School

Chapter Service Display, Senior Level: Shawn Welch, Colton Aspenleiter and Josh Leas of Medicine Valley High School

Chapter Service Manual, Junior Level: Kyla Monie and Audrey Breinig of Arapahoe High School

Chapter Service Manual, Senior Level: Levi Pofahl, Madeleine Jonseth and Elizabeth Chelle of Neligh-Oakdale High School

Chapter Showcase Display, Junior Level: Nicole Fisher, Caylynn Cruse and Brooke Schulzkump of West Point-Beemer Jr. High School

Chapter Showcase Display, Senior Level: Jordan Corder and Agrini Boken of Kearney High School

Chapter Showcase Manual, Junior Level: Jessa Lemon and Andie Chapman of Medicine Valley High School

Chapter Showcase Manual, Senior Level: Kaydra Brodine, Angela Burkey and Olivia Hubbard of Elm Creek High School

Entrepreneurship, Junior Level: Paige Adams, Emily Peplinski and Hope Walker of West Point-Beemer Jr. High School

Entrepreneurship, Senior Level: Luke Ourada and Lukas Seifert of Elm Creek High School

Focus on Children, Junior Level: Alynn Stauffer and Shelby Ferguson of Elm Creek High School

Focus on Children, Senior Level: Riley Garey and Hunter Timmons of Medicine Valley High School

Illustrated Talk, Junior Level: Anna Ourada and Casi Sutherland of Elm Creek High School

Illustrated Talk, Senior Level: Leah Marshall and Aisha Bourke of Elm Creek High School

Interior Design, Senior Level: Amber Burenheide and Kaitlyn Janata of Howells-Clarkson High School

Interpersonal Communications, Junior Level: Sarah Smith and Sheri Sorensen of Creighton High School

Interpersonal Communications, Senior Level: Lynnsey Riha of West Boyd High School

Job Interview, Senior Level: Rylee Young of West Holt High School

Life Event Planning, Senior Level: Heidi Hostert of O'Neill High School

National Programs in Action, Junior Level: Justine Bauer of Elm Creek High School

National Programs in Action, Senior Level: Sarah DeKay and Leanne DeKay of Chambers High School

Nutrition & Wellness, Junior Level: Alexa Farewell of Chambers High School

Nutrition & Wellness, Senior Level: Samantha Burtwistle of Chambers High School

Parliamentary Procedure Team: Rachel Buss, Kellie Warren, Farah Imitaz, Araceli Hernandez, Wyatt Behn, Emelie Berke and Ann Holen of Kearney High School

Promote and Publicize, Senior Level: Linsey Armstrong of Scribner-Snyder High School

Recycle and Redesign, Junior Level: Paige Dexter of Chambers High School

Recycle and Redesign, Senior Level: Rebecca Eichelberger of Fillmore Central High School

Teach and Train, Senior Level: Kiley Geis of Elm Creek High School

Ten State Officers were elected to serve as Nebraska Leaders this year:

President: Linsey Armstrong of Scribner-Snyder High School

Vice President: Shawn Welch of Medicine Valley High School

Secretary: Maggie Koenig of Shelton High School

Regional Vice-President: Ellie Applegarth of Alliance High School

Regional Vice-President: Nicole Buse of West Point-Beemer High School

Regional Vice-President: Chandler Classen of Archbishop Fremont-Bergan High School

Regional Vice-President: Rachel Kermmoade of Kearney High School

Regional Vice-President: Laura Lueninghoener of O'Neill High School

Regional Vice-President: Anmerie Shirmer of Wahoo High School

Regional Vice-President: Dakota Whisenhunt of Maxwell High School

Two members were elected to represent Nebraska as National FCCLA Officer Candidates:

Hannah Wright of Neligh-Oakdale High School

Patrick Colgan of Archbishop Fremont-Bergan High School

Fifteen members were elected to the State PEER Teams: Nebraska has three State PEER Teams leading activities in the area of Families First, Financial Fitness and Student Body. The new officers for these teams are:

Families First: Bethany Lambert of Chambers High School; Ethan Mosel of Neligh-Oakdale High School; Mekenna Wingard of Milford High School; Kali Lenhoff of Randolph High School; Shayla Shanle of St. Edward High School

Student Body: Aryn Smidt of West Point-Beemer High School; Amy Venteicher of Pierce High School; Elliot Janssen of Logan View High School; Nicole Beam of Fillmore Central High School; Andrea Lemmer of Chambers High School

Financial Fitness: Samantha Beed of Chambers High School; Morgan Langan of O’Neill High School; Courtney Pendleton of Fillmore Central High School; Alex Norton of West Point-Beemer High School; Erin Keetle of Neligh-Oakdale High School

This year the State Officer Team chose “The Nebraska Cancer Coalition” for the state outreach project.

The following chapters won the Nebraska FCCLA Chapter Award by creating a program of work that included completing state and national programs, community service and attending state and national meetings:

Gold Medals: Chambers High School, Cozad High School, Fairbury High School, Franklin High School, Howells-Clarkson High School, Leigh High School, Medicine Valley High School, Nebraska City High School, Neligh-Oakdale High School, Randolph High School, Seward High School, St. Edward High School, West Boyd High School, West Point-Beemer Jr. High School and West Point-Beemer Sr. High School.

Silver Awards: Maxwell High School.

FCCLA Scholarship Awards: Heidi Hostert of O’Neill High School; Rebekah Kuhfal of Neligh-Oakdale High School; Katharine Riley of Cambridge High School; Carissa Pollock of Plainview High School; Addie Abner of West Holt High School.

School Administrator Recognition Award: Daniel Hoelsing, superintendent of Alliance Public Schools and Brian Hoover, principal of Nebraska City High School.

Honorary Memberships: Cindy Wilmes of Creighton, Jolene Mosel of Neligh, Lindsay McCutcheon of Lincoln and Kalie Whidden of Lincoln.

Distinguished Service Award: Sen. Kate Sullivan received this award for her role in legislation, LB467, in support of student organizations. KNOP-TV in North Platte also received the Distinguished Service Award for its support and coverage of FCCLA events.