



## NEWS RELEASE

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# NEBRASKA FBLA NAMES STATE WINNERS, CELEBRATES 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The Nebraska Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) recognized the winners of its state competitive events at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary State Leadership Conference in Omaha.

Over 2,200 students and advisers from 122 Nebraska schools attended with students competing in more than 60 chapter, team and individual events. First, second and third place qualifiers in most events will compete at the national conference in San Antonio, Texas, June 29-July 2.

Former Nebraska FBLA State Advisers recognized in honor of the association's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary were Larry Bonner of Fremont; Ann Masters of Lincoln, who served as the first state president; Bonnie Sibert of Lincoln; and Teresa Thomas of Lincoln.

### **The 2012-2013 Nebraska FBLA State Officers are:**

Sally Moore of Fillmore Central High School, president  
Brent Comstock of Auburn High School, vice president  
Allyson Wilson of Aurora High School, secretary  
Julie Slama of Auburn High School, treasurer  
Jake Albracht of Arlington High School, reporter  
Trevor Sorensen of Minden High School, parliamentarian

### **Outstanding Local Chapter Adviser**

Pat Hinkle of Bellevue West High School

### **Members receiving first, second and third place awards are:**

#### **Accounting I**

First place: Lacey Uden of Adams Central High School  
Second place: Allison Braun of Heartland High School  
Third place: Beth Koca of Fillmore Central High School

#### **Accounting II**

First place: Cody Brown of Heartland High School  
Second place: Ashley Quiring of Heartland High School  
Third place: Ryan Kula of Gretna High School

#### **American Enterprise Project**

First place: Elmwood-Murdock High School  
Second place: Dundy County Stratton High School

Third place: Fairbury High School

**Banking and Financial Systems**

First place: Myan Bhoopalam, Tianye Chen, Michael Liou of Lincoln East High School

Second place: Beth Koca, Sally Moore of Fillmore Central High School

Third place: Logan Meisinger, Taylor Weins of York High School

**Business Calculations**

First place: Amy Chin of Lakeview High School

Second place: Mike Echtenkamp of Centura High School

Third place: Connor Bohlken of Syracuse High School

**Business Communication**

First place: Liz Fillman of York High School

Second place: Marissa Nutter of Fillmore Central High School

Third place: Kyra Valentine of Bellevue West High School

**Business Ethics**

First place: Jake Kuhlman, Taylor Zeorian, Zoe Tuttle of Elmwood-Murdock High School

Second place: Collin Sears, Steve Leshner, Zach Biere of Kearney High School

Third place: Ben McQuiston, Kori Hixson, Nathan Bell of Aurora High School

**Business Financial Plan**

First place: Christine Ruskamp, Carie Sommerhalder, Kale Wolken of Johnson-Brock High School

Second place: Blake Bartels, Melanie Baxa, Karlee Schwisow of Meridian High School

Third place: Connor Bohlken, Shane Keslar, Brett Weiler of Syracuse High School

**Business Law**

First place: Curtis Karel of Johnson-Brock High School

Second place: Jared Knust of Tri County High School

Third place: Lacey Uden of Adams Central High School

**Business Math**

First place: Akshay Rajagopal of Lincoln East High School

Second place: Elizabeth Peterson of Lincoln Southwest High School

Third place: Kevin Jia of Lincoln East High School

**Business Plan**

First place: Brianna Jackson, Christina Maschman, Blake Miller of Meridian High School

Second place: Parker Ayres, Carson Blum, Christain Schwenka of Minden High School

Third place: Allison Dobson of Cambridge High School

**Business Presentation**

First place: Chelsey Miller, Danielle Smith, Olivia Steen of Minden High School

Second place: Abby Cerveny, Allyson Wilson of Aurora High School

Third place: Callie Hensel, Morgan McCaw of Bellevue East High School

**Business Procedures**

First place: Cory Young of Cozad High School

Second place: Trevor Bender of Fairbury High School

Third place: Mitch Misfeldt of Blair High School

**Client Service**

First place: Spencer Morris of Twin River High School

Second place: Cassidy Regier of Aurora High School

Third place: Laura Komenda of Raymond Central High School

**Community Service Project**

First place: Bellevue West High School

Second place: Elmwood-Murdock High School

Third place: Milford High School

### **Computer Applications**

First place: Christina Maschman of Meridian High School

Second place: Akshay Rajagopal of Lincoln East High School

Third place: Madeleine Jesse of Omaha Mercy High School

### **Computer Game and Simulation Programming**

First place: Bill Spilker and Jared Knust of Tri County High School

Second place: Jaron Ahmann, Nguyen Ho, Kyle Holz of Lincoln North Star High School

### **Computer Problem Solving**

First place: Johnny Kamprath of Seward High School

Second place: Sebastian Jennings of Elkhorn High School

Third place: Myan Bhoopalam of Lincoln East High School

### **Cyber Security**

First place: Ryan Kula of Gretna High School

Second place: Curtis Karel of Johnson-Brock High School

Third place: Jameela Pedersen of Cambridge High School

### **Database Design and Applications**

First place: Karlee Schwisow of Meridian High School

Second place: Ashley Hansel of Meridian High School

Third place: Madison Hagemeister of Arlington High School

### **Desktop Application Programming**

First place: Ryan Brink of Bellevue East High School

### **Desktop Publishing**

First place: Morgan Kumm, Kylie Wiegert of Wausa High School

Second place: Aaron Steckly, Meghan Schildt of Milford High School

Third place: Amber Hagerbaumer, Ben Cromwell of Twin River High School

### **Digital Design and Promotion**

First place: Addie Corbit, Elizabeth Ebmeier of Laurel-Concord-Coleridge High School

Second place: Brandon Campbell of Lakeview High School, Columbus

Third place: Mikayla Rutt of Minden High School

### **Digital Video Production**

First place: Brady Darby, Adam Ripp, Aaron Winberg of Pleasanton High School

Second place: Amzie Dunekacke, Hanna Alberts, Ashley Andersen of Johnson-Brock High School

Third place: Kendra Cain, Courtney Smith, Brianna Tonn of Bellevue West High School

### **E-business**

First place: Adam Ripp, Colin Janitscheck of Pleasanton High School

Second place: Nick Behrends, Ashley Andersen, Curtis Karel of Johnson-Brock High School

Third place: Lauren Bowman, Erin Dwyer, Elizabeth Pegler of Elmwood-Murdock High School

### **Economics**

First place: Cody Brown of Heartland High School

Second place: Michael Liou of Lincoln East High School

Third place: Lorelee Kampschneider of Lincoln East High School

### **Electronic Career Portfolio**

First place: Lacey Uden of Adams Central High School

Second place: Elizabeth Pegler of Elmwood-Murdock High School

Third place: Miakela Karpan of Mitchell High School

### **Emerging Business Issues**

First place: Michaela Lutz, Aubrey Deckham of Dundy County Stratton High School

Second place: Sydney Stadler, Alex Raun of Minden High School  
Third place: Derek Ohlin, William Obermeier, Danielle Titas of Aurora High School

### **Entrepreneurship**

First place: Dean Detten, Kelsey McKay of Gretna High School  
Second place: Quinton Derr, Ben Grossnicklaus, Maggie Schneider of Aurora High School  
Third place: Cody Brown and Ashley Quiring of Heartland High School

### **FBLA Principles and Procedures**

First place: Cody McCain of Tri County High School  
Second place: Megan Klostermeyer of Bellevue West High School  
Third place: Abigail Grimminger of Raymond Central High School

### **Future Business Leader**

First place: Michael Liou of Lincoln East High School  
Second place: Maggie Schneider of Aurora High School  
Third place: Stephenie Teten of Johnson-Brock High School

### **Global Business**

First place: Bridgette Fleischer, Austin Koch, Akshay Rajagopal of Lincoln East High School  
Second place: Erica Brandow, Addie Corbit, Shelby Rath of Laurel-Concord-Coleridge High School  
Third place: Madison Bastain, Nick Burianek, Paige Miskie of Arlington High School

### **Health Care Administration**

First place: Ryan Lunz of Laurel-Concord-Coleridge High School  
Second place: Blake Bartels of Meridian High School  
Third place: Beth Koca of Fillmore Central High School

### **Help Desk**

First place: Ryan Kula of Gretna High School  
Second place: Tyler Stansberry of Bennington High School  
Third place: Seth Cope of Cambridge High School

### **Hospitality Management**

First place: Megan Aschoff of Norfolk Catholic High School  
Second place: Monica Lu of Lincoln East High School  
Third place: Sondra Buller of Heartland High School

### **Impromptu Speaking**

First place: Trevor Sorensen of Minden High School  
Second place: Shannon Jones of Mitchell High School  
Third place: Elayne Gibson of Lincoln East High School

### **Introduction to Business**

First place: Colton Siebert of Heartland High School  
Second place: Myan Bhoopalam of Lincoln East High School  
Third place: Nick Harrington of Gretna High School

### **Introduction to Business Communication**

First place: Austin Horner of Minden High School  
Second place: Kate Garrett of Blair High School  
Third place: Ben Hintz of Thayer Central High School

### **Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure**

First place: Dylan Steinkruger of Minden High School  
Second place: Julia Oestmann of Johnson-Brock High School  
Third place: Krista Johnson of Sandy Creek High School

### **Introduction to Technology Concepts**

First place: Jeff Glassburner of Gretna High School

Second place: Levi Schmidt of Blair High School

Third place: Kale Miller of Pleasanton High School

#### **Job Interview**

First place: Kyra Valentine of Bellevue West High School

Second place: David Johansen of Bennington High School

Third place: Andy Nelson of Platteview High School

#### **Keyboarding Knowledge**

First place: Akshay Rajagopal of Lincoln East High School

Second place: Morgan Kumm of Wausa High School

Third place: Nathan Toothaker of Lincoln East High School

#### **Local Chapter Annual Business Report**

First place: Lakeview High School, Columbus

Second place: Fillmore Central High School

Third place: Elmwood-Murdock High School

#### **Management Decision Making**

First place: Josh Jochim, Emily Scholting, Nick Smith of Platteview High School

Second place: Nick Burianek, Emily Hallstrom, Andrew Lowe of Arlington High School

Third place: Ethan Clark, Jacob Hanson, Sarah Swanigan of Papillion-La Vista South High School

#### **Management Information Systems**

First place: Drew Allgood, McKinsie Reeves, Brent Comstock of Auburn High School

Second place: Amanda Winstead, Jason Kneifl, Shayna Johnson of Laurel-Concord-Coleridge High School

Third place: Steven Leshner, Collin Sears, Alex Woodside of Kearney High School

#### **Marketing**

First place: Josh Jochim, Andy Nelson, Nick Smith of Platteview High School

Second place: Wyatt Nelson, Maggie Wallace of Lincoln Southeast High School

Third place: Kadie Bond, Calvin Stara, Abbie Hamik of Elkhorn High School

#### **Network Design**

First place: Brent Comstock, Jacqueline Frary, Kenda Frenzel of Auburn High School

Second place: Devin Dean, Daniel Jett of Johnson County Central High School

Third place: Avery Miller, Jake Weskamp of York High School

#### **Networking Concepts**

First place: Ryan Kula of Gretna High School

Second place: Devin Dean of Johnson County Central High School

Third place: Johnny Kamprath of Kearney High School

#### **Parliamentary Procedure Team**

First place: Alexis Carter, Chelsea Dunn, Nicole Thiend, Brianna Turek of Wood River High School

Second place: Danny Wythers, Sally Moore, Beth Koca, Nicholas Eichelberger of Fillmore Central High School

Third place: Amy Chen, Kaelin Hynes, Alicia Avita, Aubrey High of Gibbon High School

#### **Parliamentary Procedure Individual**

First place: Trevor Sorensen of Minden High School

Second place: Amy Chen of Gibbon High School

Third place: Brianna Turek of Wood River High School

#### **Partnership with Business**

First place: Arlington High School

Second place: Elmwood-Murdock High School

Third place: Auburn High School

**Personal Finance**

First place: Amy Chin of Lakeview High School, Columbus

Second place: Logan Meisinger of York High School

Third place: Steve Leshner of Kearney High School

**Proofreading**

First place: Jamie Kissinger of Minden High School

Second place: Shawna Paitz of Litchfield High School

Third place: Emily Siebrandt of Seward High School

**Public Speaking I**

First place: Alyssa Ehlers of Adams Central High School

Second place: Brenna Backemeyer of Elmwood-Murdock High School

Third place: Julia Oestmann of Johnson-Brock High School

**Public Speaking II**

First place: Zoe Tuttle of Elmwood-Murdock High School

Second place: Carol Crabtree of Lakeview High School, Columbus

Third place: Lorelee Kampschnieder of Lincoln East High School

**Spelling**

First place: Seth Woods of Dundy County Stratton High School

Second place: Cassity Youssef of Crete High School

Third place: Kaitlin Schneider of Silver Lake High School

**Sports Management**

First place: Tanner Evans of Gretna High School

Second place: Sarah Stirling of Elkhorn South High School

Third place: Blake Bracht of Arlington High School

**Spreadsheet Applications**

First place: Karmen Browitt of McCool Junction High School

Second place: Lani Martin of Pleasanton High School

Third place: Brianna Jackson of Meridian High School

**Technology Concepts**

First place: Troy Smith of Omaha South High School

Second place: Ryan Kula of Gretna High School

Third place: Seth Berggren of Blair High School

**Web Site Design**

First place: Emily Harsin, Haley Harsin, Anna Rippa of Syracuse High School

Second place: Brent Comstock of Auburn High School

Third place: Jake Kuhlman, Dalton Snyovec, Jordan Steffen of Elmwood-Murdock High School

**Word Processing I**

First place: Kylie Cadwallader of Sandhills High School

Second place: Kaitlyn Quiring of Heartland High School

Third place: Josie Parr of Silver Lake High School

**Word Processing II**

First place: Ashley Quiring of Heartland High School

Second place: Allison Braun of Heartland High School

Third place: Ben Cromwell of Twin River High School

**Other Nebraska FBLA state award recognitions include:****Outstanding Chapter Reporter**

Elizabeth Pegler of Elmwood-Murdock High School

### **Delta Pi Epsilon Leadership Awards**

- 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Amy Chin of Lakeview High School, Columbus
- 11<sup>th</sup> Grade – Elizabeth Wilcox of Twin River High School
- 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Madison Tschauner of Adams Central High School
- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Trevor Koger of Arlington High School
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Savannah Reed of Arlington High School

### **Scholarship Recipients**

- \$100 Phi Beta Lambda Scholarship: Joel West of Bellevue East High School
- \$250 FBLA Scholarships sponsored by Gallup: Amy Chin of Lakeview High School, Columbus; Erin Dwyer of Elmwood-Murdock High School

### **March of Dimes Mission Triangle Excellence Award**

Bellevue East High School  
Twin River High School

### **National Business Achievement Awards, Leader Level**

Brent Comstock of Auburn High School  
Morgan Jones of Dundy County Stratton High School  
Kaitlyn Watermeier of Syracuse High School

### **Adviser Service Recognition Awards**

35 years: Sid Conrad of Norris High School and Jim Marsh of Raymond Central High School  
30 years: Sheila Walters of Conestoga High School  
25 years: Kim Kromberg of Omaha Northwest Magnet High School  
20 years: Chris Carothers of South Sioux City High School, Susan Seeman of Stanton High School, Dennis Krejci of Tri County High School  
15 years: Janice Arent of Maywood High School, Tim Rossow of Newman Grove High School  
10 years: Brenda Budler of Chadron High School, Lori Anderson of Lincoln East High School, Jim Glenn of Paxton High School, Teresa Starks of Platteview High School  
5 years: Donna Callaghan of Blair High School, Janelle Stansberry of Cedar Bluffs High School, Lisa Harrington of Elmwood-Murdock High School, Lindsey Burbach of Emerson-Hubbard High School, Deb Stroh of Gibbon High School, Katie Mace of Lyons-Decatur Northeast High School, Maria Gillen of Mitchell High School, Oliver Bantam of Omaha Mercy High School, KT Luebbe of Papillion-La Vista South High School, Craig Trampe of Ravenna High School, Dana Epley of Silver Lake High School, Trent Goldsmith of Waverly High School, Matt Hinkel of West Point-Beemer High School, Lynette Finley of Wilber-Clatonia High School

### **Nebraska FBLA National Businessperson of the Year**

Megan Pleak of Dana F. Cole and Company, Omaha

### **Nebraska FBLA Business of the Year**

Cooper Nuclear Station

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