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Northside High School

NHS Students Participate in FCCLA Day at the Capitol

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On Wednesday, February 12, 2025, fourteen students and two advisers from Northside High School joined peers from Houston County High, Warner Robins High, and Thomson Middle School to take part in FCCLA Day at the Capitol. The event, held during National FCCLA Week (February 10-14), provided students with a firsthand look at the legislative process in Georgia.



During their visit, students attended legislative sessions, met with representatives, and even spoke with lobbyists about key issues. They also had the opportunity to tour the Capitol and engage directly with lawmakers, including Representatives Shaw Blackmon and Bethany Ballard. Students are pictured at left with Robert Aycock, PAGE Lobbyist.

FCCLA Day at the Capitol is an annual event designed to educate students about the role of government while empowering them to become active citizens and leaders in their communities. The experience offered students valuable insights into policymaking and civic engagement, further enriching their leadership development within FCCLA.

Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Dustin Dykes serves as Principal.



Veterans
High



Northside
High



Warner Robins
High



Houston County
High



Perry
High



Houston College and
Career Academy

NHS FCCLA Hosts High-Energy Hip-Hop Dance Class with Northside High Alum

On Thursday, February 13th, Northside High School's FCCLA hosted its second dance class, this time featuring an electrifying hip-hop session led by alum Ashton Paredes. The event brought together students, staff, FCCLA members, and even stars from the cheerleading squad, including a coach and a team member, for an afternoon of high-energy movement and fun. Participants followed along as Paredes taught dynamic choreography, blending fitness and creativity in an engaging way.

Laughter and excitement filled the room as dancers of all skill levels embraced the challenge and let loose on the dance floor. The class not only promoted physical activity but also strengthened the sense of community within Northside High. Many attendees expressed their enthusiasm for future dance sessions, eager to build on the skills they learned.

With such a successful turnout, FCCLA is already looking forward to collaborating with Ashton Paredes again for future events. This event proved that dance can be a powerful tool for bringing people together while promoting self-expression and confidence.



Houston County High School

HCHS FCCLA Members Set Their Sights on State



HCHS FCCLA Region Competitors pictured, left to right, backrow, are: Camden Hamann, Danae' Riley, and Braylan Green. Left to right, front row, Ryhem Hacena, Lily Dockery, Amber Ulshafer, Patience Trasmer, Region 7 Officer; Krishna Patel, State Vice President of Programs; Karla Morejon; and Nishi Prajapati.

On Friday, February 7th, the FCCLA Region 7 STAR Event Competition was held at Georgia Southwestern University in Americus, Georgia. Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR), is a competitive event which allows students to showcase their proficiency and skills in individual projects, leadership, and career preparation. Eight Houston County School FCCLA members competed in various STAR Event competitions against students representing schools from across the region. Through STAR Event competitions,

these FCCLA members represented Houston County High School through projects that reflected their skills and talents in public speaking, project planning, community outreach, and more.

HCHS FCCLA is so proud of the students and excited to share that all have advanced to compete at the FCCLA State Leadership Conference in March. Congratulations to the following:

Danae' Riley – 1st place, Early Childhood Education Level 3;
 Camden Hamann – 1st place, Job Interview Level 3;
 Karla Morejon – 1st place, Personal Finance Level 2;
 Nishi Prajapati – 1st place, Professional Presentation Level 2;
 Amber Ulshafer and Lily Dockery – 2nd place, Chapter Service Project Portfolio Level 2;
 Ryhem Hacena – 2nd place, Focus on Children Level 2; and
 Braylan Green – 2nd place, Job Interview Level 2.

HCHS wishes these students the best of luck as they prepare to represent HCHS FCCLA and showcase their talents and skills at the FCCLA State Leadership Conference which will be held March 24-26 in Columbus, Georgia. HCHS is very proud of the hard work, talent, and commitment of these students who advanced their leadership skills through competitive events.

Houston County High School is located at 920 Georgia Highway 96 in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Jay Jones serves as Principal. Dr. Brittany Tolleson and Kristen Hankins are the HCHS FCCLA Advisers.

Perry High School

PHS FCCLA Gets Ready to Compete

FCCLA STAR Event competitors were able to prepare and plan for their upcoming competitions during a STAR Event workday held in the Perry High School media center. Students were able to complete so many essential tasks for their projects during this workday. It was amazing to have this uninterrupted time for students to dive into their projects and mark items off their lists. Competitors are feeling so much more prepared and confident after having this work session.

Perry High School is located at 1307 North Avenue in Perry, Georgia. Wesley "Del" Martin serves as Principal.



Level 3 Parliamentary Procedures Team: Gracie Atkinson, Addison Bigler, Alyssa Butts, Carson Kelly, Dallas Locke, Destiny O'Conner, Ayana Plummer and Kaneisha Tolbert.



Pictured, left to right, are Marquita Jackson and Morgan Taylor.



Mary Carver



Level 2 Parliamentary Procedures Team: Emelia Ellerbee, Emmagrace Goodman, Chloe Oglesby, Ta'Narius Warren and Wesley Wood.



Bella Newell and Eleanor Sengenberger.

PHS FCCLA Advances to State Competition



Food Innovations Level 2: Bella Newell and Eleanor Sengenberger;

Food Innovations Level 3: Marquita Jackson and Morgan Taylor;

Parliamentary Procedure Level 2: Emelia Ellerbee, Emmagrace Goodman, Chloe Oglesby, Ta'Narius Warren and Weslyn Wood;

Parliamentary Procedure Level 3: Gracie Atkinson, Addison Bigler, Alyssa Butts, Carson Kelly, Dallas Locke, Destiny O'Conner, Ayanna Plummer and Kaneisha Tolbert; and

Repurpose and Redesign Level 3: Mary Carver.

All 18 students received gold medals and are advancing to the State Leadership Conference in Columbus, Georgia. PHS is proud of the hard work shown and the dedication to excellence.



PHS FCCLA Has a Blast Celebrating FCCLA Week

Perry High School FCCLA enjoyed celebrating FCCLA Week (February 10-14).

Monday: Members were given a member gift of a Sprite with a note that they were "Soda" lightful and thanking them for their membership.

Tuesday: Officers conducted a miracle minute during each lunch period to help our local community partner, Perry Volunteer Outreach (PVO).

Wednesday: FCCLA recognized the teachers and staff at PHS with a pretzel treat that said, "Don't get it twisted, we are so grateful for you."

Thursday: We traveled to the Capitol in Atlanta and networked with state officers and local legislators to discuss the value of the career technical student organization.

Friday: Students "Rocked the Red" to show their FCCLA pride.



Pictured, left to right, are: Jewel Phoenix, Ramsey Cates, Carson Kelly, Margaret Leslie, Sawan Patel, Makayla Miller, and Ayana Plummer "Rocking their Red".



Students are pictured at FCCLA Day at the Capitol.



FCCLA State President, Jhiriss Smith, and Marquita Jackson are pictured, at left, at the State Capitol.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Marquita Jackson, Shaw Blackmon, Morgan Taylor, Ayana Plummer, and Carson Kelly at the Capitol.

PHS FCCLA Has a Blast Celebrating FCCLA Week (continued)



Pictured at left, left to right, are: Alexa Lumpkin and Amaya Rice at the State Capitol.



Pictured at right, left to right, are: Carson Kelly, Morgan Taylor, Mary Carver, and Alyssa Butts as they are headed to give out teacher gifts.



Pictured at left, left to right, are: Gracie Atkinson and Carson Kelly donating to PVO.



Pictured at right, left to right, are: Jaiden Kelly and Mary Carver donating to PVO.



Pictured at left, left to right, are: Bella Newell and Eleanor Sengenberger showing their membership gifts.



Work-Based Learning/Youth Apprenticeship Program

Houston County High School Work-Based Learning Student of the Month



Abbigail Larson is the Houston County High School Work-Based Learning Student of the Month. Abbigail is a second-year student in WBL. She has been employed as a parts specialist at Middle Georgia Freightliner-Isuzu for the last two years. Abbigail says that participating in Work-Based Learning has allowed her to be recognized in many ways at work. Her supervisor, John, says, “Abbigail’s employment at Middle Georgia Freightliner-Isuzu has been a tremendous asset across multiple departments, including parts, service, and administration. Her quick learning and ability to work independently are invaluable, especially considering the impressive amount of work she accomplishes as a part-time employee. She has seamlessly integrated into our family-oriented culture and is a true pleasure to work with.”

Abbigail says that being in Work-Based Learning has taught her responsibility and has allowed her to save up for her future goals while still in high school. “Since I get more hours at work, I have also taken on additional duties. It also gives me more working experience in a field that I’m wanting to step into. Work-Based Learning has opened up so many more opportunities for me,” she says.

Congratulations Abbigail and good luck as you graduate and continue to college. Houston County High School is located at 920 Highway 96 in Waner Robins, Georgia. Sheila Jones is the WBL Coordinator, Karma Hayes is the CTAE Supervisor and Dr. Jay Jones serves as Principal.

Work-Based Learning



Georgia's Future Workforce

Perry Middle School

PMS FBLA Brings Home Awards



Adviser Dr. Diana Phillips was extremely proud of her FBLA members after bringing home numerous awards from the Region Leadership Conference they attended Saturday, January 25, 2025, at Houston County High School. Perry Middle FBLA swept the competition by bringing home twenty-one awards from the Region 5 Future Business Leaders of America Conference. Not only did the students do an impressive job in their competition areas, but the chapter received the second place Largest Local Chapter Membership Award – Middle School for Region 5. Region 5 consists of all the middle school FBLA chapters in the following counties: Bibb, Jones, Twiggs, Houston, and Bleckley. Students will continue to work hard as they prepare for the State Leadership Conference in February. On the next page is a list of competitors and their awards.



Huntington
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Mossy Creek
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Northside
Middle

Perry
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Thomson
Middle

Warner Robins
Middle

Bonaire
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Feagin Mill
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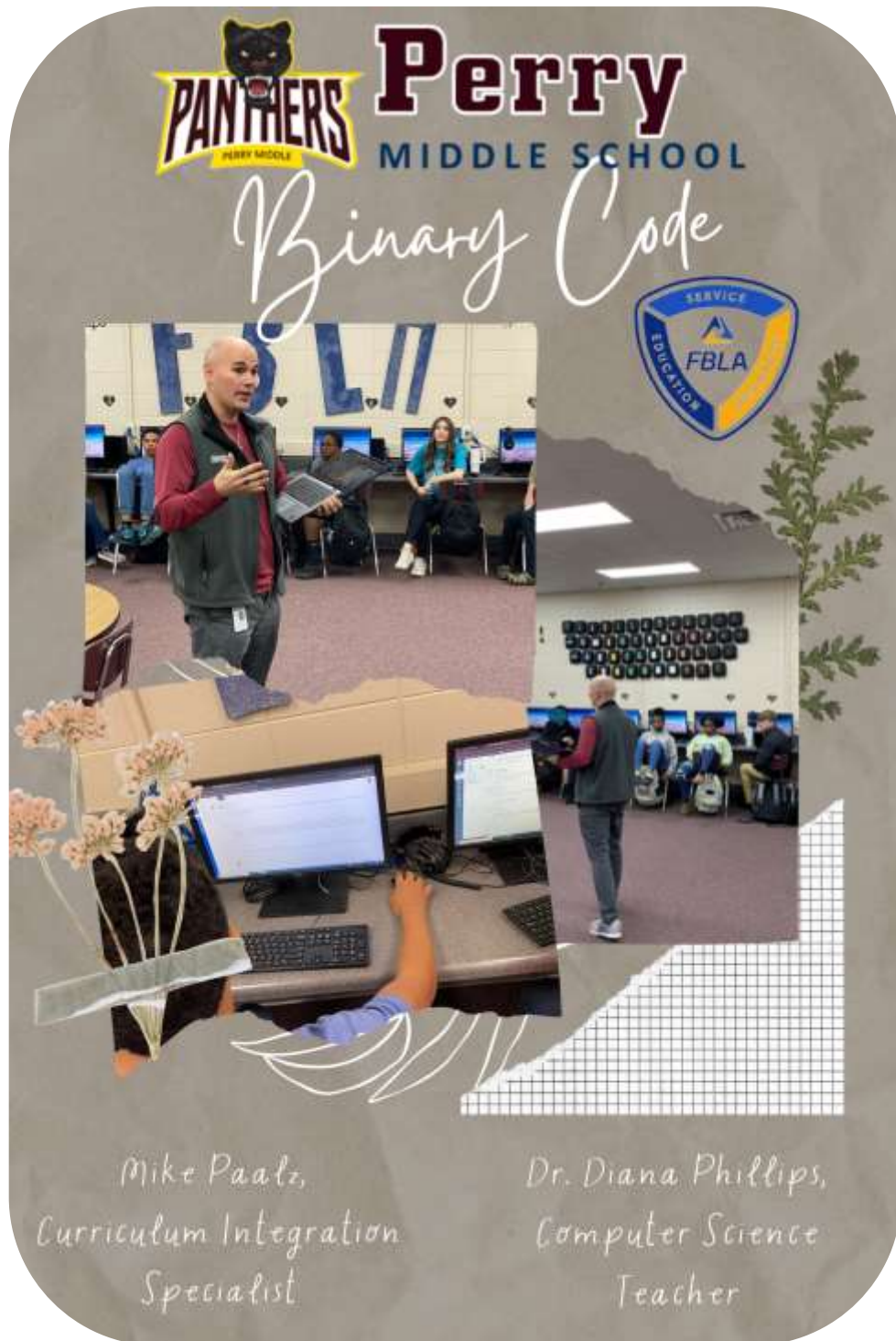
PMS FBLA Brings Home Awards (continued)

STUDENT/TEAM	PLACE	AWARD
Edwin Tang	1st	Business Concepts
Ansleigh Byrd/William Harden	1st	Critical Thinking
Peyton Beasley	1st	Exploring Technology
Rhonda Gordon	1st	Interpersonal Communication
Rhonda Gordon	1st	Intro to Business Communication
Emersyn Preast	1st	Learning Strategies
Ava Whelchel	2nd	Business Etiquette
Jaycee Beasley	2nd	Business Math
Jaycee Beasley	2nd	Career Exploration
Edwin Tang	2nd	Exploring Computer Science
Dalton McCullum	2nd	Exploring Technology
Aditi Patel	3rd	Business Concepts
Peyton Beasley	3rd	Exploring Computer Science
London Gordon	3rd	Exploring Economics
Emersyn Preast	3rd	Exploring Leadership
Ansleigh Byrd	4th	Business Math
Faith Anderson-Boyett	4th	Career Exploration
Jaiden Johnson	4th	Exploring Technology
Connor Lehman	4th	FBLA Concepts
Ava Whelchel	5th	Social Media Concepts
Chapter	2nd	Largest Chapter

Perry Middle School is located at 495 Perry Parkway in Perry, Georgia. Dr. Heath Burch serves as Principal.



PMS 8th Grade Computer Science Classes Learn About Binary Code



Mike Paalz,
Curriculum Integration
Specialist

Dr. Diana Phillips,
Computer Science
Teacher

Mike Paalz, Curriculum Integration Specialist, visited Dr. Diana Phillips' eighth grade Computer Science classes at Perry Middle School on February 12, 2025. Last time Mr. Paalz visited Dr. Phillips' classes, he taught a lesson on AI Generation. This time, he delivered an interactive lesson where students utilized a discussion board to translate each other's sentences into binary code. By end of the class, students learned what binary code was, some history about coding, and translated sentences, and their names, into binary using an online code translator. This was a wonderful enrichment activity, especially since the students have been coding in HTML this semester.

Bonaire Middle School

BMS FBLA Earns Awards at Region Leadership Conference

Bonaire Middle School FBLA members attended the FBLA Region Leadership Conference at Houston County High School. BMS couldn't be prouder of their incredible achievements. Prior to the conference, 17 of the members competed, and all placed in the top 20 in the region. Out of those, 14 earned spots in the top 10, and eight members placed in the top 5.

Special congratulations to the team of Brooke Holder and Trinity Reynolds, as well as Luke Hopper, who all earned first place finishes and qualified for the FBLA State Leadership Conference at the end of February in Columbus, Georgia.

Bonaire Middle School is beyond proud of all FBLA members' hard work and dedication, and can't wait to see how they represent the school at state competition.

Bonaire Middle School is located at 125 Highway 96 East in Bonaire, Georgia. Rebecca Oakley serves as Principal.



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