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Perry High School

PHS FCCLA Officers Attend Fall Leadership Conference

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Pictured above, left to right, are:
Mary Carver, Ayana Plummer, Carson Kelly, Morgan Taylor, Dallas Locke and Marquita Jackson.



Perry High FCCLA officers attended the Fall Leadership Conference at the FFA/FCCLA Camp in Covington, Georgia. Marquita Jackson was selected to participate in a game of rock, paper, scissors during the opening session. She went head-to-head with the FCCLA state president Jhiriss Smith and battled through three rounds to become the overall winner. She won a water bottle and some nice headphones. Following the opening session, officers participated in a series of breakout sessions to include such topics as FACS Careers and Goal Setting. After Lunch, officers were able to participate in a friendship bracelet session as well as some chapter planning time to plan upcoming events. The day ended with a meaningful closing session. It was a great conference for everyone in attendance.

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

Marquita Jackson is pictured at left.



Perry High



Houston College and Career Academy



Veterans High



Northside High



Warner Robins High



Houston County High

PHS FCCLA Participates in Gold Training



Perry High FCCLA participated in Gold Training at Camp John Hope in Fort Valley. Advisers invited the FCCLA STAR event competitors to engage in the training to help strengthen the bond of the group while also developing stronger leadership skills within each competitor. Members in attendance were led through several obstacles and challenges during the training. This was an amazing opportunity for the competitors, and everyone had a great time.



Eleanor Sengenberger



Dallas Locke is pictured above being helped up the wall by the group.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Ta'narius Warren, Emmagrace Goodman, and Addison Bigler.



Star Event Competitors



Pictured above, left to right are: Bella Newell and Eleanor Sengenberger.

Perry High School FCCLA Holds Friendsgiving Celebration

Perry High FCCLA held a Friendsgiving Celebration this fall. Members were encouraged to bring a non-member friend to attend the social event. Non-members were offered a discounted rate to join because of their attendance at the social. Members were encouraged to bring their favorite thanksgiving side dish to share. There was an abundance of food to include turkey, ham, dressing, gravy, potato salad, deviled eggs, macaroni and cheese and a spread of several festive desserts. After the meal, members were guided through some thanksgiving crafts where they created pumpkins and turkeys to take home to decorate their own thanksgiving tables. The social event was a huge success and everyone in attendance had a memorable experience.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Emmagrace Goodman, Chloe Oglesby, and Weslyn Wood.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Gracie Atkinson, Dallas Locke, and Hannah Collins.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Johnathan McDonald, and Jyrans Stubbs.



Houston College and Career Academy

HCCA Hosts Business Owner

Landon Carlson, owner of AC Doctor Heating and Cooling, stopped by and talked to our students in the HVAC program about his company and the many opportunities available for those wanting to pursue a career in the air conditioning industry. He explained that he started his journey in HVAC by taking dual enrollment classes while in high school. Landon obtained his license five years after graduating high school and started his company a year later. His testimony that he shared was an inspiration to the students.

Houston College and Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Sherry Johnson serves as Principal.



HCCA Education As a Profession All-Day Internship Experience

On October 23rd, the HCCA Education (Teaching) As a Profession pathway interns spent the entire school day in their host classrooms. These (second-year EAAP students) future teachers gain valuable experience being engaged directly with students in a classroom setting every day during their 6th - 7th periods. This experience allowed them to see all content areas taught, transitions to and from specials, recess and lunch, and to sit in on PLT or data meetings.

The Education As a Profession pathway gives high school students the opportunity to learn about the teaching field through classroom instruction and internships. Erin Morton is the Instructor.



Intern, Keyanna Hurley, reads with a student in Mrs. Summers' class at DPPS.

Intern, Keirrah Weathersby, grades math papers in Mrs. Clason's class at CBWPS.



Intern, Pray Meh, assists a student during math in Mrs. Davis' class at Russell Elementary.



Intern, Lacey Taylor, works with a small group in Mrs. Mills' class at MAPS.



Intern, Morgon Smith, leads a small group in Mrs. Mitchell's class at DPPS.



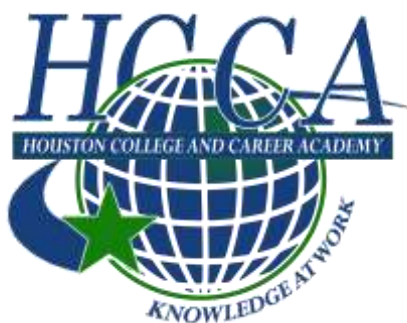
Intern, Morgon Smith, with her host teacher, Britney Mitchell, at DPPS.

HCCA Teaching Interns Share with EAAP Advisory Council



The HCCA Education As a Profession Advisory Council held its fall meeting recently. Two current teaching interns, who spend over half of their day interning, joined the meeting to share with the council. Seniors Rylee Smith (HCHS) and Kaneisha Tolbert (PHS), (pictured above), discussed how they are gaining valuable teaching experience under the leadership of their wonderful host teachers. Rylee is interning in 1st grade at Lake Joy Primary School with Robin Burks, and Kaneisha is interning with Amanda Calhoun in 8th grade at Perry Middle School. Rylee and Kaneisha both expressed how their time in the Education As a Profession pathway has confirmed their passion for pursuing teaching as their future career. Kudos to these wonderful future teachers! We wish them well and look forward to seeing them in their own classrooms back in Houston County in a few years.

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Veterans High School

VHS AFJROTC Raiders Team - National Champions



The VHS Warhawk Raiders Team is pictured above. Front row, left to right: Ryan Judy, Jayden Ortiz, Alyssa Meyer, Kaylah Judy, Elizabeth Koenig, Amelia Koenig, Chance Anderson, and Max Zamudio. Back row, left to right: Maximos Oliver, Melea Morgan, Dillon McIntosh, and Aiden Britt.

The VHS Warhawk Raiders team travelled to Camp Gerald Lawhorn to compete in the All-Service Raiders Nationals in Molena, Georgia from Nov. 1-3, 2024. They beat out 22 teams from all over the United States to be crowned the All-Service and Air Force Challenge Division National Champions. This competition features top athletes completing rigorous events such as a Physical Team Test, 4K Mountain Run, Tire Flip, Rope Bridge, and Gauntlet. Challenge Division awards won by the VHS Warhawk Raiders team are: 1st place (National Champion) Air Force Team, 1st place overall (National Champion) All-Service, 2nd place in Physical Team Test, 4K Mountain Run, Tire Flip, and Rope Bridge, and 3rd place in Gauntlet.

Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Amy Barbour serves as Principal.

DECA at Veterans High School



On October 23rd, at the DECA Fall Rally, Jack Peterson and Michael Davis completed the Six Minutes to Sell Six Flags event and won recognition and a medallion.



At the DECA Fall Rally Leadership Conference on November 7th - 8th, Jack Peterson won recognition and a medallion for his Individual Role Play scenario and Damarion Bryant and Xavier Cole made over a 90 on their DECA Statesman exam, both obtaining a certificate and a Statesman Lapel pin.



VHS FCCLA Attends Fall Leadership Conference



Pictured above, is Kaley Greer with Membership Recruitment Board.

Veterans High FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) recently attended the FCCLA Fall Leadership Conference in Covington, Georgia at the FFA/FCCLA Center. Kaley Greer placed 1st in the state for her Membership Recruitment Board. VHS FCCLA has recruited 70 plus members this year. VHS FCCLA/FACS Knowledge Bowl team placed 2nd in the state. Team members are Maddy Lathrop, representing Nutrition and Food Science; Ca'Shouri Jones, representing Interior Design and Textiles; Brynli Adams, representing Early Childhood Education; and William Vinup, representing Consumer Economics. VHS is very proud of their FCCLA Warhawks. FCCLA Advisers are Jill Massee and Julie Vinup and CTAE Director is Dana Morris.

VHS Knowledge Bowl team:
Maddy Lathrop, Ca'Shouri Jones,
Brynli Adams and William Vinup



VHS FFA Wins Award at State Meats Evaluation and Technology CDE



The VHS FFA team won the state Meats Evaluation and Technology CDE in Athens, Georgia. Students had to identify cuts of beef, pork, and lamb, evaluate placing classes, quality and yield grade carcasses, and problem solve issues in the industry. Team members include Oliver McDonald (state high individual), Camryn Graham (2nd high individual), Kaylin Bailey (3rd high individual), and Aly Corzine (5th high individual). The team will go on to represent Georgia at the National FFA Convention next October.

VHS FCCLA and Friendsgiving

On November 7, 2024, FCCLA had a Family and Friendsgiving for the friends and family of chapter members. Maddy Lathrop, Vice President of Programs, hosted the event for her STAR event project, Families First. This event focused on bringing family and friends together for an evening of fellowship and great food. It was a great turnout with approximately 60 people attending. The members and their families provided the side dishes for a traditional thanksgiving dinner while FCCLA provided the turkey. A Thanksgiving Trivia Bingo was played as well as VHS FCCLA's take on the Newlywed Game. Overall, this event was very fun and inclusive among the whole chapter. FCCLA Advisors are Jill Masseur and Julie Vinup.



Pictured above, from left to right, are: Serena Knox, Kaley Greer, Maddy Lathrop, Brynli Adams, Katie McCall, and Ca'Shouri Jones.



Georgia FFA Celebrates Agricultural Sales CDE Competitors at 97th National FFA Convention



Four Veterans High School FFA Members were recognized as part of the Agricultural Sales CDE team at the 97th National FFA Convention, held in Indianapolis, Indiana. These members include Eden Walker, Erin Miller, Madison Bailey, and Alonna McLaughlin. The team was awarded as a Gold Emblem Team and McLaughlin was named the 7th highest individual in the nation.

In the Agricultural Sales CDE, students apply classroom knowledge to real-life situations. The event includes actual sales presentations, a written exam, and team sales situation. Teams are provided an example product, product information and customer profiles at the start of the event from which they collaboratively develop a sales plan. Judges then evaluate the collaboration process and the team's final sales plan. Individuals also complete a written exam that tests sales concept knowledge.



Along with Veterans' Agricultural Sales CDE team, the Georgia FFA Association's success at the 97th National FFA Convention was highlighted by 12 national champions, the 2024 American Star Farmer, and a newly elected National Southern Region Vice President. Among Georgia's national winners were the two first place CDE/LDE teams and individuals, six national proficiency award winners, two national Agriscience Fair award winners, and two finalists in the National Chapter Award. Georgia was also represented by five members as part of the National FFA Band, Chorus, and Talent program. Also, one hundred and eighty-one Georgia FFA members received the prestigious American FFA Degree, the highest degree offered to an active member. The Georgia FFA Association could not be more proud of all competitors, recipients, and members recognized at the 97th National FFA Convention.

Northside High School

NHS SkillsUSA

Northside SkillsUSA competed at the Georgia National Fair on October 4th for the Champion's Rally. Students had been working since September on various types of projects including some display boards, posters, and t-shirts. Students had a chance to go to the fair and learn more about SkillsUSA, participate in activities and games, and submit their competitions. The Northside chapter won 1st place in t-shirt design competition and was able to win 10th place in the chapter recruitment poster. Overall, it was a great showing and all projects looked great.

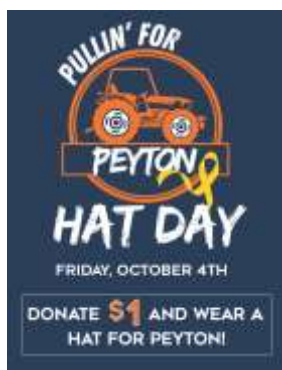
Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Dustin Dykes serves as Principal.



Northside High School FCCLA is Pullin' for Payton



On Friday, October 4th, FCCLA helped to raise over \$2,000 in donations for Pullin' for Peyton Day at NHS in recognition of Jay's Hope - September Childhood Cancer Month. Peyton Smith is the 2 1/2 year old son of Tyler Smith, who teaches at Northside High School. Little Peyton has been diagnosed with Clear Cell Sarcoma of the kidney and is currently undergoing chemotherapy. A big thank you to the faculty, staff and administrators who helped to make this event a tremendous success. Please continue to keep this sweet boy and his family in your prayers.



NHS FCCLA Hispanic Heritage Month Event



In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, on October 2nd, FCCLA hosted a dance class to bring students together through the joy of movement while also promoting healthy eating habits for the mind and body. The class was led by former NHS Eagle, Ashton Paredes, and his father. It offered a wonderful opportunity to unite the school community. Hispanic Heritage Month began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson, and in 1988, President Ronald Reagan expanded it to a 30-day observance from September 15th to October 15th, officially enacted into law on August 17, 1988. FCCLA's National Program, Student Body, empowers members to make informed, responsible decisions about their physical and mental

NHS FCCLA Members Give Back at “Feed the City” Event

On Friday, November 22, 2024, members of Northside High School’s Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Chapter volunteered at the *Feed the City* event hosted by Hope Church in Fort Valley, Georgia. The students joined other community members to pack bags of food that would be distributed to families in need during the Thanksgiving season. The event, held from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, focused on spreading kindness and ensuring local families have a meal to celebrate the holiday. FCCLA Adviser, Faythe Pollard, expressed her pride in the students. “It’s inspiring to see them dedicate their time and energy to serving others. Events like this teach valuable lessons about community, compassion, and leadership.”

The students, dressed in casual attire and bright smiles, worked together seamlessly, preparing dozens of Thanksgiving packages. Their efforts were part of FCCLA’s broader mission to foster leadership and community engagement among young people.

Senior FCCLA member and First Vice President, Jonathan Stephens, shared his thoughts on the event: “Helping out tonight reminded me how important it is to support those in need. It felt great to know we’re making a difference for families in our community.”

The *Feed the City* initiative has become a staple of holiday giving in the Fort Valley/Warner Robins area, bringing together volunteers from all walks of life. This year’s event highlighted the importance of teamwork and service, with Northside High’s FCCLA students leading by example.

As Thanksgiving approaches, the efforts of these young leaders serve as a reminder that the spirit of the season is about more than just food—it’s about coming together to lift others up.

For more information about FCCLA and their upcoming initiatives, contact Northside High School or follow their updates online.



Warner Robins High School

Warner Robins High School FFA

For several FFA members, long hours of practice paid off as they competed in the Central Region Floral Design held at Camp John Hope. FFA members also did an awesome job at the Georgia National Fair, competing in several areas and the rabbit show. The winners and participants are:

Georgia National Fair, LDE's and Show Winners

Cheyenne Jones - Plant and Materials - 1st place;
 Ryan Thomson - Plant Id - 3rd place and Landscape Plan - 3rd place;
 Joy Sanders - Mini Booth - 3rd place, Job Interview - participation, and Built Project - 2nd place;
 Nicholas Mitchell - Landscape Plan - 3rd place;
 Aleeya Freeman - Rabbit Show - 1st place - Best of Variety and Best of Opposite;
 Joy Sanders - Job Interview - participation;
 Anahi Alejandro - Rabbit Show - 2nd place;
 Anahi Alejandro - Senior Floral Design - Top 10;
 Gabe Minor - Landscape Plan - 3rd place;
 Ja'Vona Taylor - Landscape Plan - 2nd place;
 Najee Porch - Landscape Plan - 3rd place;
 Ka'Dorian Robinson - Landscape Plan - 2nd place;
 Sha'Maud Hinton - Plant Id - 3rd place.



**Joy Sanders with
Dr. Veronica Sanders**

Congratulations also to Joy Sanders for placing 1st in the state and Bronze on the national level for her agri-science project. She attended the National FFA Convention, and it was a wonderful learning experience. The National FFA Convention and Expo is an annual gathering of FFA members that aims to develop the next generation of leaders, and to help students prepare for college and careers.

Horticulture/Agri-Science classes are pictured below working with vegetables in raised beds and flower beds. The beds were donated by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Warner Robins High School is located at 401 South Davis Drive in Warner Robins, Georgia. Chris McCook serves as Principal. Dr. Veronica Sanders and Brian Rainwater are the Agriculture Teachers.



**Anahi Alejandro and Aleeya
Freeman with winning rabbits.**

Houston County High School

HCHS FCCLA Members “Tune In To Success” at Fall Leadership Conference

In November, students from Houston County High School attended the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Fall Leadership Conference held at the FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington, Georgia. At this event, students had the chance to experience the conference theme “Tuning In To Success” by taking their leadership to the next level by attending workshops, engaging in youth networking sessions, and competing in competitions.

HCHS is very proud of the following FCCLA members who competed in Fall Leadership Conference competitions:



Braylan Green
1st Place in State Fashion Stylist Competition



Reny Kan
2nd Place in Cupcake Decorating Competition and 1st Place in State Lapel Pin Design



Cara Hall
FCCLA Distinguished Statesman Award



Chase Hames
FCCLA Statesman Award Winner

Zhao, Camden Hamann, Ryhem Hacena, and Akasha Martin earned Top 8 in state Knowledge Bowl Team.

In addition to the wins and representation by HCHS FCCLA members in FLC competitions, Georgia FCCLA State Vice President of Programs and HCHS FCCLA member, Krisha Patel, planned and presented a workshop titled “Making Core Memories through Georgia FCCLA State Events”, where she inspired students to take every feeling towards competitions and fuel it for success by being prepared to take on State Event Competitions. Patience Hudlin, Region 7 Officer from HCHS, also led a workshop titled “Falling into Focus”, where she emphasized the importance of developing strong organization and time management skills.

HCHS FCCLA members that attended the Fall Leadership Conference showcased their skills and leadership in a positive and dynamic way. Reny Kan stated, “Attending the Fall Leadership Conference was a great way to demonstrate my creative skills through competitions and explore how I can be a stronger leader in my school and community.”

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

Feagin Mill Middle School

Feagin Mill Middle FCCLA Wins State Awards at the Georgia National Fair



Congratulations to the following students for their FCCLA state awards at the Georgia National Fair:



1st place Booth Team with their amazing "Dare to Dream with FCCLA's Community Under the Stars - Madilyn Taylor, Morgan Davis, Olivia Grant, and Lily Alarcon with assistance from Akiya White, Jordyn Nicolosi, and Mariah Henley.



2nd place in Peanut Recipe for her delicious "Every Farmer's Choice: Nutty Banana Bread" submission - Lila Kenney.



Bonaire Middle

Feagin Mill Middle

Huntington Middle

Mossy Creek Middle

Northside Middle

Perry Middle

Thomson Middle

Warner Robins Middle

Feagin Mill Middle FCCLA Wins State Awards at the Georgia National Fair (continued)



3rd place in Theme Speech for an inspiring Dare to Dream Speech - Reagan Nolan.



3rd place in National Programs Brochure for an enlightening FCCLA Community Service Brochure - Kalese Wallace. She is pictured here with her FCCLA Adviser, Lisa Duke.



Mariah Henley's stylish Dare to Dream t-shirt design was chosen to represent FMMS FCCLA.

Feagin Mill Middle School FCCLA/ FACS was chosen as the Georgia Organics Week 1 Social Media Contest winner for all their parsley-related activities for October Farm to School Month. Way to "Parslay the Day".



Congratulations to all these students for representing Feagin Mill School FCCLA and doing a phenomenal job.

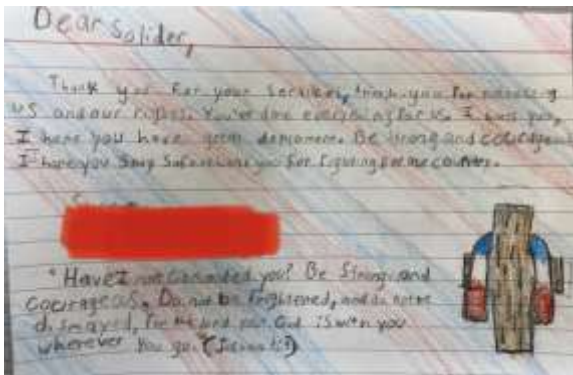
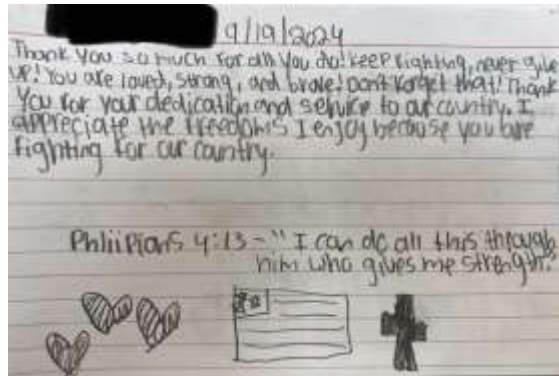
Feagin Mill Middle School is located at 1200 Feagin Mill Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Mark Sams serves as Principal.

Perry Middle School

PMS BETA Club, FBLA and TSA Write Letters and Send Supplies to Deployed Troops

After a welcomed invitation from Debra Cox at 21st Century Partnership at Robins Air Force Base, Perry Middle School BETA Club, FBLA, and TSA worked collectively to write letters and send supplies to deployed troops. Students in Dr. Diana Phillips' 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Computer Science classes, Jimmy Darnell's 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Technology classes, and Lia Evans, Liz Hodge, and Whitney Dady's 7th and 8th grade Honors classes, wrote over 400 letters thanking the military for their sacrifices, dedication, and hard work. The creativity of the student body was not only captured in the written word, but also through beautiful illustrations. Perry Middle School BETA Club, FBLA, and TSA look forward to partnering with Ms. Cox and 21st Century Partnership on future projects.

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



PMS FBLA Attends Fall Motivational Rally at Six Flags Over Georgia



October 21, 2024 was a fun day for the Future Business Leaders of America members at Perry Middle School. Dr. Diana Phillips, FBLA Adviser, took members to the FBLA Fall Motivational Rally held at Six Flags Over Georgia in Austell, Georgia. Members had the opportunity to compete in pre-submission events, take open-event tests, ride rides, and listen to leadership presentations. As an added bonus, participants were able to enjoy some delicious Subway on the way home. The student's next conference will be in November at the Fall Leadership Conference in Athens, Georgia. Students will participate in leadership sessions, have the opportunity to compete in a Monopoly Tournament, and be able to compete in open events testing against other members from around the state.



PMS FBLA and TSA Attends the Gray 9 Skate STEM Trip



With academia encouraging Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) activities, Dr. Diana Phillips and Jimmy Darnell, from Perry Middle School, took this opportunity to give their Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and Technology Student Association (TSA) members a special experience. Members were given the chance to attend the Gray 8 Skate STEM trip. Led by a former educator, students learned about topics like probability, reaction time, and problem solving through fun hands-on games. These activities connected Science and Math to everyday uses through tactile interactive lessons. After their training, attendees were able to skate, play laser tag, play games in the arcade, and enjoy delicious food and snacks in the dining area. The visit was concluded with a few skating games, glow in the dark skating, and dance music. Everyone had a wonderful time. Before leaving the event, one of the kids looked over at Dr. Phillips and said, "Dr. Phillips, thank you for putting this trip together." That was a true blessing. This activity was a wonderful experience that will not soon be forgotten.

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