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# Houston County High School

## Houston County High School Racks Up Ribbons at Fall Leadership Rally

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Students from the Houston County High School Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) recently participated in a motivational rally held on Wednesday, October 13 at the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry, Georgia. Over 2,200 students and advisers from schools across Georgia participated in the leadership rally and competed in competitions.



Aspen Mitchell, Georgia FCCLA State Vice President of Membership, helped kick off the motivational leadership rally, along with other Georgia FCCLA state officers. Region Officer, Andy Lu, was also recognized on stage at this event along with other members of the Region 7 Officer Team. As Aspen and fellow State Executive Council Members led the motivational rally, members and advisers were motivated to commit to becoming leaders in community service, grow through FCCLA National Programs, and advocate for careers in Family and Consumer Sciences throughout the year. This event is one of four major conferences that Aspen will help lead in her role as a State Officer this year.

FCCLA members not only gained personal growth and leadership development by attending Fall Leadership Rally, they also gained confidence as they participated in competitive events. Houston County High School FCCLA was excited to bring home wins and ribbons in the following categories:



- Andy Lu received 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Brochure Design Competition for his FCCLA Foundation Brochure.
- Elizabeth Kirkland received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Themed Speech Competition.
- Houston County High School FCCLA Chapter was recognized as the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner in the Georgia Organics Competition.



Warner Robins  
High



Houston County  
High



Perry  
High



Houston County  
Career Academy



Veterans  
High



Northside  
High

## Houston County High School Racks Up Ribbons at Fall Leadership Rally (continued)

Reflecting on the Fall Leadership Rally, Andy Lu remarked, “I was so excited to have the opportunity to attend the FCCLA Fall Leadership Rally this year. I was honored to represent our chapter in the Brochure Design Contest and be a part of chapter activities held for the Georgia Organics ‘Livin’ La Vida Okra’ Competition. Being a part of these opportunities that brought success and recognition to our chapter was an exciting experience for me. The Fall Leadership Rally has motivated me to become a better leader, get involved in my community, and look for ways to grow in FCCLA this year.”



Andy Lu received 1st Place in the Brochure Design Competition.



Elizabeth Kirkland (pictured second from left) received a 2nd Place win in the Themed Speech Competition.



Houston County High School is located at 920 Highway 96 in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Doug Rizer serves as Principal.

# Perry High School

## FCCLA at PHS Partners with Student Council



Perry High FCCLA raised over \$125 to purchase supplies to donate to the Foster Family Support of Middle Georgia. FCCLA partnered with student council who started the collection of supplies for foster families in our local area. FCCLA officers collected the money raised through their chocolate chip cookie fundraiser and purchased requested items such as toothbrushes, hairbrushes, socks, and kids' underwear. Perry High FCCLA was honored to have been given the opportunity to give back to their local community through this partnership with student council.



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



# Houston County Career Academy

## CGTC Criminal Justice Career Event



Students came ready and prepared! Thanks to Sandi Couillard, Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator, who stopped by each of the Criminal Justice classes at HCCA to share important interpersonal skills with the students when meeting potential employers. The students played games and learned very valuable tips for life.

What an awesome opportunity for the Criminal Justice Dual Enrollment students. CGTC's Criminal Justice staff organized an outstanding career event for the Warner Robins Criminal Justice Division. Students engaged with potential employers to learn more about the field. Some students were even given future internship opportunities. This event is the culmination of what it means to attend a College and Career Academy.

Houston County Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Sabrina Phelps serves as Principal and CEO.





## Public Safety Dual Enrollment at HCCA



The Houston County Career Academy Public Safety Dual Enrollment students volunteered at the Warner Robins Police Department 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Glow Run on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. These students are learning the importance of community service and giving back to the community. Students worked the three water stations and cheered the runners on to the finish line. Victoria Rodriguez, Veterans High School student, placed 1<sup>st</sup> in her age group in the 5K with a time of 28 minutes.



## HCCA Teaching As a Profession Students All-Day Experience

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, the HCCA Teaching As a Profession pathway interns spent the entire school day in their host classrooms. These future teachers, who are second-year TAAP students, gain valuable experience being engaged directly with students in a classroom setting every day during their 6th - 7th periods.

The Teaching As a Profession pathway gives high school students the opportunity to learn about the teaching field through classroom instruction and internships. Houston County Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Sabrina Phelps serves as Principal, and Erin Morton is the instructor.



Abigail Halsell (NHS) reads to Mrs. DeLeon's second grade class at QRES.



Damion Fluellen (PHS) listens to a KCES student read.



Matiah Gorsline (VHS) works with a small group in Ms. Strozier's second grade class at MAES.



Es Ter (WRHS) assists a student on in Mrs. Sargent's first grade class at CBWPS.



Madison Heath (NHS) reads to Mrs. Waters' kindergarten class at Centerville Elementary.



## FIRST News



**Pictured above with the robot is the drive team made up of five returning seniors. Pictured left to right are: Hailey Tayag (VHS), William Van Slyke (VHS), Eli Hobbs (VHS), Ryan Wilcox (VHS) and Madee Applonie (PHS).**

FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) is the high school league category of For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST). FIRST is a global robotics community preparing young people for the future and the world's leading youth-serving nonprofit advancing STEM education. The Houston County Career Academy (HCCA) hosts The Flying Legion, FRC team 3635, which has a stellar competition history at both state and world level. This is a cross-county team, where all Houston County High School students are welcome to compete. All team practices, robot builds, and testing events are held at HCCA, located at the corner of Russell Parkway and Corder Road.

The Georgia Robotics Invitational Tournament and Showcase (also known as GRITS) is an annual off-season event. This year, it was held at the National Fairgrounds and Agricenter in Perry, the McGill Marketplace building, on Friday and Saturday, 29 – 30 October 2021. Competition teams were limited to 10 students and two adults. Team 3635 finished in 8<sup>th</sup> place, out of 28 teams during regular competition and was eliminated during the quarter finals. Team 3635 is advised by Michael Marcoux of HCCA and Lt Col (ret) Jessica Chapman of Veterans High School. The team held a 6-4 record during the GRITS competition.



Pictured above (back row, left to right) are: Hailey Tayag (VHS), Eli Hobbs (VHS), Carson Hulse (VHS), Parker Marfell (VHS), Richard Van Slyke (Mentor), Mert Acar (VHS), Devon Hulse (VHS), Isaiah Bailey (Mentor), Natalie Van Slyke (Mentor), Barb Van Slyke (Mentor). Front row: Rebecca Winters (VHS), Nohlivia Geherin (VHS), Katelyn Henry (VHS), William Van Slyke (VHS), Josh Smith (VHS), Jasmine Pickens (VHS), Madee Applonie (PHS), Aislinn Haugabrook (VHS), Dr. Cristina Tayag (Mentor). Not pictured are: Ryan Wilcox (VHS), Bryce Wellman (VHS), Colby Wood (VHS) and teacher mentors Lt. Col (Retired) Jessica Chapman (VHS) and Michael Marcoux (HCCA).





## 2021 State Superintendent Recognition of HCCA Student And Culinary Arts Students of the Month



Congratulations to Shayla Pope ,(NHS) advanced culinary arts student and FCCLA HCCA president, for being recognized by Georgia's school Superintendent Richard Woods.

Each year the CTAE division of the Georgia Department of Education hosts a Superintendent's Recognition Ceremony to recognize those who have achieved excellence within their Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) at the national level. CTOS, play an integral role in preparing students to become college-and career-ready members of society who will hold productive leadership roles in their communities. Because Georgia CTOS are co-curricular, which is different from an after-school club, CTOS help students stay engaged in the classroom. CTOS students are better prepared to meet the demands of the workplace because they offer real-world experience to compliment the academic studies of the classroom. Students are fortunate to have nine CTOS in Georgia. Last year CTOS membership totaled over 148,000 students in Georgia.

It is HCCA's privilege to recognize Shayla for her achievements within FCCLA at the national level.



Daniel Shetters, VHS senior and first year dual enrolled Culinary Arts student, was voted Culinary Arts Student of the Month by his peers. Daniel's peers voted for him because of his leadership and willingness to help others. He is employed at Sonny's and is seeking ServSafe Manager Certification to help him advance in this field.



Rhythm-Prince L. Ogburn, HCHS senior and advanced Culinary Arts student, was voted Culinary Arts Student of the Month by his peers. Rhythm-Prince L. Ogburn's peers voted for him because of his leadership. He's also a motivator and has a "go getter" attitude. He is currently studying to take his ServSafe Manager Certification exam. Rhythm plans to become an entrepreneur and follow his passion for culinary arts by opening a café.



## HCCA Public Safety Students Volunteer at WRPD National Night Out Event



The Houston County Career Academy Public Safety Dual Enrollment students volunteered at the Warner Robins Police Department National Night Out event, which collaborated with Home Depot on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Students passed out informational documents while providing fun games and safe Halloween tips for children.



## Veterans High School

### VHS FBLA Members Volunteer at Houston Lake Country Club Fall Festival

Veterans High School FBLA members and Advisers spent the evening of October 14<sup>th</sup> facilitating the fall festival at Houston Lake Country Club. Members came dressed in their costumes to add a little more entertainment for the little ones. Students set up stations and assisted the attendees with various activities. The guest received a prize for each play, so the kids went home with lots of treats.



Students pictured at left (front row left to right) are: Gavin Booth, Liberty Owen, Evie Briggs, and Dan'Neysha Kendrick. Back row: Lars Horn and Zach Sadler.



Pictured above (left to right) are: Evie Briggs, Cherise Richardson, Justice Ames, and Gavin Booth.



Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Amy Barbour serves as Principal. For more information, contact the Director of Career, Technical and Agricultural Education, David McDermott at 478-988-6222, ext. 3440, or david.mcdermott @hcbe.net.

## Veterans High School FBLA Attends Fall Motivational Rally



Pictured left to right are: Belinda Collier, Co-adviser; Austin Quino, Cherise Robinson, Landon Wilson, VHS FBLA President; Dan'Neysa Kendrick, and Tammie Love, Adviser.

Advisers and four FBLA members attended the annual Fall Motivational Rally at the Georgia National Fair on October 14, 2021. Advisers and members in attendance were introduced to the state officers and were entertained by a great speaker who kept the audience engaged.

After the Rally, everyone enjoyed the fair, including networking, animals, vendors, scarecrow displays, food, and the rides.



## VHS FFA Meats Evaluation and Technology Team Earns Gold Emblem Finish at the National FFA Convention



Congratulations to the Veterans High School FFA Meats Evaluation and Technology team for their Gold Emblem finish at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. Team members identified cuts of beef, pork and lamb, completed placing classes, quality and yield graded beef carcasses, and worked together in a variety of team activities illustrating knowledge of the meats industry. The team was chosen to represent Georgia from their winning the state meats contest last March. Team members included (left to right) are: Brenton Davis (Gold Individual), Madison Jones (Silver individual), Robin Hargett (Silver individual), Evan Bussell (Gold Individual), and Adviser Jeff Wilson. The students enjoyed the chance to compete for a national championship.



## Northside High School

### NHS FCCLA Members Attend Region 7 Meeting

Northside High FCCLA members attended the Region 7 meeting in Americus, Georgia. Students attended three sessions on leadership and communication skills. After the sessions, members were given a presentation about Georgia Southwestern University and a tour of the campus. Jill Massee and Carla Jessup are the advisers for the Northside High School Chapter.



**Pictured above (front row, left to right) are: Nyonna Beard, Emma Collins, Emma Dearth, Kaleisha Walls, BreAnn Dickerson, Bianca Nix, and Gracie Hayes. Back row: Zoe Babcock, Ramya Jackson, Meghan Emmott, Emma Kate Broome, Arlicia Bentley, Tayshonne Maynard, Destiny McGirr, and Rayannah Stephens.**



**Pictured left to right are: Emma Dearth, Ramya Jackson, Emma Kate Broome enjoying lunch during the Region 7 Meeting.**

Northside High School is located at 926 Green Street in Warner Robins, Georgia. Markeeta Clayton serves as Principal.

## Work-Based Learning/YAP

### Phelps and Couillard Make Presentation to Perry Rotary Club



Pictured above, left to right, are Sabrina Phelps and Sandi Couillard

On November 1, 2021, Sabrina Phelps, Houston County Career Academy (HCCA) Principal and CEO, and Sandi Couillard, Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) Coordinator for Houston County Schools, made presentations to the Rotary Club of Perry about HCCA pathways and Work-Based Learning/YAP. They were greeted by Rotary Club President, Glenn Smith, and Perry's Director of Economic Development, Ashley Hardin, and treated to lunch provided by Creekside Caterers, LLC, before their presentations.

Mrs. Phelps highlighted efforts in process for helping Houston County grow our own workforce. HCCA has 19 pathways available to all students of the Houston County School System. She also talked about the emphasis HCCA puts on soft skills to help ensure students retain their jobs.

Mrs. Couillard talked about the importance of work experiences for high school students as they prepare for their future careers and also the need for employers to build a pipeline of employees for the future.



# Feagin Mill Middle School

## FMMS FBLA Had An Exciting October

Feagin Mill Middle School FBLA had an exciting October. Twenty FBLA members attended the Fall Motivational Rally at Six Flags on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The members renamed the month of October to Socktober and donated 300 pairs of socks to several charities in Middle Georgia. Students connected with their partners at the Assisted Living Phoenix of Lake Joy to make prizes for bingo night. FBLA and FCCLA put together gifts for bus drivers to show appreciation for all they do.



Bingo



Socktober

Feagin Mill Middle School is located at 1200 Feagin Mill Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Mark Sams serves as Principal, Dana Brock is CTAE supervisor and Lisa Duke is FCCLA Adviser.



Bus Driver Appreciation



Warner Robins Middle

Bonaire Middle

Feagin Mill Middle

Huntington Middle

Mossy Creek Middle

Northside Middle

Perry Middle

Thomson Middle



## FMMS FCCLA Fall Rally Winners

Student members from Feagin Mill Middle School FCCLA chapter recently participated in a motivational rally at the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry during fall break. In the competitions, students received two 1st Place ribbons, and one 4th Place ribbon.

FMMS FCCLA received 1st place overall (between all middle and high schools) in the Georgia Organics Farm to School Okra competition. They collaborated with FMMS FFA to plant okra two different ways. The two ways were planted were inside the grow tower, and outside in the natural sun and rain. They also held a taste test with raw okra ground up in Oreos balls. Most students couldn't tell the difference in the ones with and without okra. Students also had fun air frying okra with and without breading. The students were given okra to take home to see ways they could incorporate okra into their diet, and demonstrate plate presentation.



Sneha Singh did a great job with her hand drawn brochure, above, pertaining to the FCCLA national program, Power of One. She received 4th place for her brochure design.

Sarah Ann Rainey, a 6th grader at FMMS and pictured at right, received 1st place for her entry of PB&J Snack Bars in the Peanut Recipe Competition. She perfected her recipe at home adjusting it until she had it just right.



Fall Rally Participants, pictured at left, left to right, are: Lisa Duke, Adviser; Laney Davis, Sarah Ann Rainey, Samantha Thompkins, and Ashlyn Bernstein.

## FMMS FCCLA - Make Your Play Count

The Feagin Mill Middle School FCCLA Chapter theme this year is “Make it Count”. The chapter wanted to find ways to accomplish this. FCCLA students decided to assist the football players, coaches, and managers on game days. They wanted the football team to make each play count, so they teamed up with the coaches, parents, and sponsors to have the ultimate pre-game experience. FMMS FCCLA hosted the 8th grade football team every game day in the FACS/FCCLA room. The team came to the room to have a pre-game meal, view film, and get game day ready. One of the parents helped to organize the meals and students teamed up with her to find church/business sponsors for the food each game day. The chapter realized it takes a village to put everything together and make it happen. The community rallied around the FMMS team, the parents have been supportive, and FCCLA is glad to be a small part of it.

The students have learned what can be accomplished when school staff, parents, and businesses come together. The 7th and 8th grade football teams won the semi-championship games to secure their place in the championship games. The team has worked hard to earn this accomplishment, but FCCLA was glad to have played a small part in supporting the team as they accomplished this milestone.

For the championship games FACS and FCCLA hosted the 7th and 8th grade teams for pre-game meal. The room was decorated in football décor, and had game day hype music playing. The FACS and FCCLA students especially enjoyed decorating the room and hallway for the football team. A parent, coach, and Lisa Duke, FCCLA Adviser, were able to put together a video with NFL and college players from the area sending words of encouragement to the football players. Between the 7th and 8th grade championship games, community sponsors were recognized and presented with a football signed by the players.

A special thanks to everyone who made this happen from parents to churches/business partners. Some of those that helped in addition to the FCCLA students were: Danielle Molina (team mom), 7th and 8th grade parents, Speed Edge Sports, The Butcher Shop, Central Baptist Youth Ministry, Southside Baptist Middle School Ministry, Home Furniture and Mattress, Mid State Pools and Spas, and 3M Lawn Care.



# Huntington Middle School

## HMS FCCLA Attends Region 7 Meeting



Lilly and Emily Hardy attended the FCCLA Region 7 Meeting at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus, Georgia on October 26th. Students attending the meeting were given an overview and tour of the campus. They attended breakout sessions conducted by the Region 7 officers about STAR Events and Leadership and Communication. They also enjoyed sampling college life by eating at the campus dining hall.



# Mossy Creek Middle School

## MCMS FCCLA Helping Hands

During the pandemic of 2020-21, we have all learned how to do things differently. This is no exception with all personnel of our school system. The Houston County School System courageously started back to school with both an in-person learning option and a virtual learning option on August 6th, 2021. Although most parents chose the in-person learning option, which has proven to be very successful, there are approximately 4,900 Houston County virtual learners. Included with the virtual learning option are the lunch and breakfast meals that the students would have received if they were attending classes in person.

Every Wednesday is the designated, weekly pick-up day for the parents of the virtual learners to pick up meals for those students. Families receive meals for the entire week at each pick-up time. Every Wednesday, parents receive breakfast meals and lunch meals for every virtual student. Included in the meals are four cups of fruit and vegetables. Along with the fruits and vegetables, the weekly required proteins, dairy, and breads are also included. The lunch and breakfast menu changes each week just like the in-person students' menu changes. This is an enormous logistical task, and Mrs. McGahee Cafeteria manager at MCMS, estimates that a minimum of eight hours per week are required to prepare for the virtual meal pick-up.

To help with this task, a perfect partnership was formed. Sherry Sheppard, the FACS teacher at MCMS and FCCLA Adviser, was approached with a question that eventually turned into a wonderful, daily learning experience for students and FCCLA members. The question: "Mrs. Sheppard, do you think some of your students would want to help with our virtual meal preparation?" Mrs. Sheppard was overwhelmed with joy to hear this question and very eager to say, "Yes!" Not only did this fit in beautifully with the FACS curriculum, but it also provided a plethora of FCCLA learning opportunities. FCCLA focuses on teaching employability skills, developing leaders, communication skills and being proactive in helping out others. This was a perfect way to involve FCCLA members in experiencing a true hands-on, learning opportunity. This is the embodiment of learning employability skills, leadership traits, responsibility, dependability, communication skills, and teamwork.

FCCLA members worked in the Cafeteria every day for 50 minute except Wednesday. They had to wear proper attire including hair nets, apron, mask and gloves. Some of the task were measuring food products out, placing them in proper containers, keeping a product count and communication to adults and each other on the task at hand.

The FCCLA members really enjoyed this experience and it was a fantastic opportunity. They are all thankful for the opportunity that the FCCLA members had. They learned the invaluable skills needed to work in any future career field. It was a hands-on experience that will have a lifetime impact and an awesome middle school memory.

Mossy Creek Middle School is located at 200 Danny Carpenter Drive in Kathleen, Georgia. Dr. Andy Gentry serves as Principal.



## Northside Middle School

### NMS FCCLA Holds Office Installation Ceremony and Attends GOLD Training



The official NMS FCCLA installation ceremony for officers was held in August to install the following chapter officers for Northside Middle School into their positions:

President - J'mes Nelson  
 Vice President - Aileen Palacio-Castaneda  
 Vice President of Public Relations - Scarlett Alcantar  
 Vice President of Competitive Events - Rachel Stull  
 Secretary - Jayda Hubbard

Adviser, Laura Sewell, is extremely excited to begin the year of FCCLA with such wonderful leaders. These students applied and were selected to represent the FCCLA chapter at Northside Middle School. They were installed during an official candle lighting ceremony where each officer made their pledge of office

and accepted their duties and responsibilities. Each officer was given a red rose, and recited the FCCLA Creed to commemorate the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.



NMS FCCLA officers also attended Goal Oriented Leadership Development (G.O.L.D) training at Camp John Hope on September 3rd with other Houston County Middle School FCCLA chapters. The G.O.L.D. training teaches team building and leadership skills. The activities at Camp John Hope gave the officers an opportunity to learn in an exciting and hands-on environment. The goal of the training was to develop the Northside Middle School chapter officers into a successful and effective team.

Northside Middle School is located at 500 Johnson Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Dustin Dykes serves as Principal.



## Northside Middle School FCCLA Chapter Wins Reserve Superior Chapter at Fall Leadership Rally

Northside Middle School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter joined over 2,200 students and advisers from schools across Georgia at the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry, Georgia for a motivational rally held on Wednesday, October 13th. Northside Middle School FCCLA student members competed in multiple events at the Fall Leadership Rally bringing home a ribbon in every event. These AMAZING Jets represented Northside Middle School well at the Georgia National Fair in the Middle School Chapter Booth competition, Middle School Foundation Sponsorship Brochure competition, Chapter T-shirt Design competition, Middle School Chili Cook Off competition, and the Annual Georgia Peanut Recipe Competition. The Northside Middle School FCCLA Chapter was rewarded Reserve Superior Chapter.



FCCLA Chapter T-Shirt Design - Ella Ryle, Elizabeth O'steen, Jayla Light, Rachel Stull, J'mes Nelson, Aileen Palacio-Castaneda, and Gabriela Hernandez placed 1st.



Annual Georgia Peanut Recipe Competition - Elizabeth O'Steen placed 2nd.



FCCLA Foundation Sponsorship Brochure Competition - Ella Ryle and Jayla Light placed 1st.

## Northside Middle School FCCLA Chapter Wins Reserve Superior Chapter at Fall Leadership Rally (continued)

FCCLA Middle School Chili Cook Off - Scarlett Alcantar placed 3rd.



FCCLA Middle School Chapter Booth - J'mes Nelson, Rachel Stull, and Gabby Hernandez placed 3rd.



FCCLA Themed Speech Competition, "FCCLA... Make It Count" - Aileen Palacio-Castaneda placed 4th.



FCCLA members had a fantastic time at the FCCLA Fall Leadership Rally at the Georgia National Fair. Top row, left to right: Aileen Palacio-Castaneda, J'mes Nelson, Adviser Laura Sewell, Gabriela Hernandez, Elizabeth O'Steen, and Jayla Light. Bottom row, left to right: Scarlett Alcantar, Rachel Stull, and Ella Ryle.

# Perry Middle School

## FBLA at PMS Create a Morning News Video



In an effort to promote FBLA and exhibit/enrich video editing skills, a few members of the Perry Middle School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) created a video to put on the morning news. They all had a blast working together and performing for their peers. The students are excited to tackle their next project for FBLA and enhance their skill set. If you are interested in watching their performance, you can click on this video link. <https://youtu.be/bljwSS7gXXs>

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





## FBLA at PMS Attends Fall Motivational Rally



Perry Middle School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) attended the Fall Motivational Rally at Six Flags Over Georgia on October 7, 2021. Members were able to compete in open events testing, t-shirt design contest, recruitment video competition, and infographic design contest. The day contained a plethora of fun-filled activities, leadership training, delicious food, adventurous rides, and memories on which to regale for a lifetime. Students returned highly motivated and ready for the following adventure. The Fall Leadership Conference, held November 10, 2021, will be their next opportunity to participate in a leadership conference experience.



## PMS, FMMS and MCMS FBLA Unite for Training Day

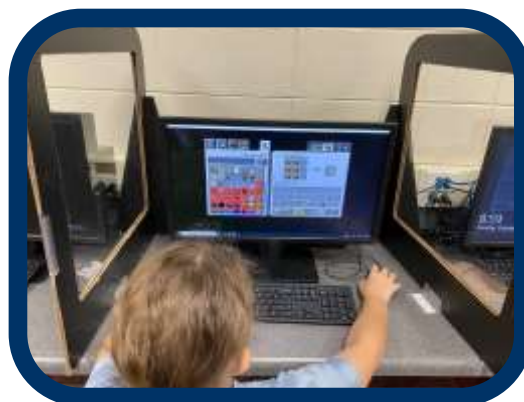


Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Middle-Level unite! On September 11, 2021, three middle-level chapters joined forces to create an officer training day, after their conference had been cancelled this past summer. The list of Advisers include Julie Folse, Feagin Mill Middle FBLA Adviser; Donna Burner, Mossy Creek Middle FBLA Adviser; and Dr. Diana Phillips, Perry Middle FBLA Adviser. Creating a unique experience, with the help of Clare Swinford from the Museum of Aviation Education, these Advisers provided a day of leadership activities, planned their Program of Work, assigned tasks and responsibilities, and provided networking opportunities between their officers. The list of officers from each school are as follows: FMMS: Savannah Henderson, Blake Blocker, Maddie Folse, and Trish Pennell; MCMS: Leahana Esteve, Bianca Gilson, and Aneesa Greene; PMS: Melody Phillips, Adam McCarthy, Makenzie Oliver, Jayson Rodgers, Marrisa Tharpe, Aniyah Radford, Rachel Manuel, and Dawson Knight.



## PMS Experiences Great Options for Computer Science

Dr. Diana Phillips, FBLA Adviser and Computer Science teacher, loves finding new resources for her students. With hopes of increasing student interest in Computer Science and Coding, Dr. Phillips implemented Minecraft Education in her classroom. Students responded with great excitement as they dove right into the Minecraft Education world. By working in this program, students could practice a few of the following options: coding, creating new worlds with their friends, setting up and implementing new worlds, select their own avatars, virtual simulations, and more. With the coding challenges, students can develop computational thinking skills, practice introductory coding concepts with blocks (using JavaScript and Python), and learn text-based coding in Python. With all of these great options for Computer Science, this program provides additional teaching experiences in the following areas: Science, Math, Language Arts, History and Culture, Art and Design, Digital Citizenship, Social Emotional, Equity and Inclusion, and Climate and Sustainability.



## PMS TSA Attends TSA Day at Georgia National Fair



Technology Student Association (TSA) members from Perry Middle School attended TSA Day at the Georgia National Fair in Perry on October 11, 2021.

Perry Middle School's TSA members are pictured mingling with State TSA Officers.



Perry Middle School TSA Officers, pictured, left to right, Khalila Wilford, Secretary; Omar Hill, Sergeant at Arms; Matthew Parker Boone, Treasurer; Rayven Hodridge, President; Darien Adams, Vice-President; Cameryn McKenzie, 2nd Vice-President; Mone' Lester, TSA Sixth Grade Officer; Not pictured are: Bryson Wright, Reporter; and Noah Allen, TSA Sixth Grade Officer.

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