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Perry High School

Perry High FCCLA Celebrates FCCLA Week with Service, Advocacy, and Spirit

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Perry High FCCLA proudly celebrated FCCLA Week with a full week of activities focused on appreciation, service, and leadership within PHS and the community while highlighting the mission of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

The week kicked off with Member Monday, where members were surprised with donuts and a sweet reminder that read, "Donut forget how much we appreciate you!"

On Teacher Tuesday, FCCLA members showed gratitude to Perry High teachers and staff by delivering chip bags labeled, "We think you are all that and a bag of chips," to thank them for their continued support.

Wednesday focused on community service as members promoted a week-long drive benefiting Haven Hope House, collecting blankets, warm clothing, and toiletry items to support neighbors in need throughout Houston County. On Thursday, members traveled to Georgia State Capitol in Atlanta to advocate for their local chapter and the national FCCLA organization. Students met with local legislators and had the exciting opportunity to take photos with State Superintendent Richard Woods and State Deputy Superintendent of CTAE Dr. Barbara Wall. The day also included time for members to enjoy fellowship at the mall before heading home.



Chapter members are pictured at the Georgia State Capitol.



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The celebration concluded with FCCLA Spirit Day on Friday, encouraging members to wear their FCCLA gear to proudly show their chapter pride and FCCLA spirit. Overall, FCCLA Week was a meaningful and memorable experience that highlighted leadership, appreciation, service, and unity among Perry High FCCLA members.

Perry High School is located at 1307 North Avenue in Perry, Georgia. Dr. Arthur Billings serves as Principal.



Chapter members pictured outside of the Governor's office.



Chapter members pictured receiving their donuts.



Chapter members pictured delivering chips to teachers.



Chapter members are pictured with their warming center donations.



Chapter members are pictured shopping at the mall.

Houston College and Career Academy

HCCA SkillsUSA Students Bring Home Gold at State Conference



Students from Houston College and Career Academy's SkillsUSA Chapter recently competed in the 61st Annual SkillsUSA Georgia State Leadership and Skills Conference in Atlanta, Georgia and represented their program with excellence.

HCCA brought home two Gold medals in highly competitive categories.

Earning top honors in Woodworking Display were: Mykhal Sanders, Trista Swanner, Jaylen White, Chanelle Lacson and Landon Salinas.

The team designed and constructed a custom-built table that showcased clean lines, structural precision, and a smooth, professional wood finish. This marks another major achievement for the team, who also placed Gold in the 2025 state competition, continuing a strong tradition of excellence in woodworking. Also earning

Gold were HCCA's AV Technology and Film students in the Single Script Video category, making this the third time students have taken first place in this event. Winning team members were: Macaylee Carter, Destaney Broughton, Alaina Coley and Jermaine Lathers. The students were provided a script by SkillsUSA Georgia and challenged to bring it to life through the full production process, from pre-production planning to filming and post-production editing.

The film was shot on-site at Perry High School and HCCA. This project highlights students' ability to collaborate, problem-solve, and execute under real-world production conditions.

This year's success reflects the continued commitment of HCCA students to excellence in workforce-ready skills, demonstrating talent in craftsmanship, storytelling, technical production, and teamwork.

Houston College and Career Academy is located at 1311 Corder Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Sherry Johnson serves as Principal and SkillsUSA Advisers are Candace Hollingshed and Kristie Norris.

AV Tech and Film Student Winners, left to right, are: Jermaine Lathers, Macaylee Carter, Alaina Cooley and Destaney Broughton.



Fine Furniture Student Winners, left to right, are: Mykhal Sanders, Trista Swanner, Chanelle Lacson, Jaylen White and Landon Salinas.



HCCA AV Tech Students Capture the Action at Georgia High School Rodeo Show

On Friday, November 7th, four AV Tech and Film students from Houston College and Career Academy hit the road to Perry, Georgia, to cover the Southeastern Showdown Rodeo at the Perry Fairgrounds.

Serving as the live broadcast production team, the students brought all the action straight to viewers across the nation through The Cowboy Channel's website.

This marks the second year that HCCA students have filmed the rodeo, working side-by-side with the rodeo's professional production crew. The team included both first-year and advanced-level students, all gaining valuable hands-on experience in live event coverage.

Their hard work paid off. The students have already been invited back to film next year's rodeo in 2026.

HCCA's Audio Video Technology and Film Instructor is Candace Hollingshed.



PHS Junior, Macaylee Carter, is pictured above filming the opening of the rodeo showdown.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Lochlyn Whitmore (NHS), Elijah Torres-Tapely (HCHS), Alaina Coley (HCHS) and Macaylee Carter (PHS).



HCHS Senior Elijah Torres-Tapely is pictured above directing the show.



HCHS Senior, Alaina Coley is pictured filming the rodeo competition.

Education As a Profession Students Participate in STEM Activities

The Houston College and Career Academy Education As a Profession pathway students welcomed guest instructors from the Robins Air Force Base Museum's STEM Academy on February 10, 2026. The prospective teachers learned about the programs offered to students and teachers. They also learned about potential teaching assistant positions that EAAP students are eligible for at the Museum. Instructors Melissa Raburn and Sarah Johnson brought a few STEM labs for the students to test out. EAAP students participated in a circuit task and a coding activity that let them see examples of what they would do at summer camps or other weekend events offered in the STEM Academy.

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



STEM instructors are pictured above as they share with EAAP first block students.



First block students Lexi Johnson, Kalin McLendon, and Abbey Johnson are pictured above as they work with the coding task.



Second block students Crysly Martinez, Summer Flood, and Zane Jolin are pictured above as they work with the coding task.



Second block students Gabie Leslie and Jalecia Brown show off the result of their circuit activity.

Education As a Profession Students Serve as Ambassadors At Houston County School District's 3rd Grade Market Day

The HCCA Education As a Profession pathway students served as Ambassadors for the Houston County 3rd grade Market Day event on February 24th - 27th. The teaching interns greeted students, guided them to their event space, assisted with the set-up, and supported and encouraged the elementary participants. The Ambassadors were presented with certificates of appreciation from the Social Studies department of the Houston County School District.



Pictured, left to right, are: Jashawnna Greene, Ava Williams, Kearstyn Fruitrail, Amija Vickers, Dramon Barry, Maleah Mariani, Logan Dominy, Kalin McLendon, Abbey Johnson, Dorian Putnam, and Erin Morton.



Pictured, left to right, are: Arica Kelsey, Me'Lanie Sanders, Zane Jolin, Jalecia Brown, Morgan Dodson, Uraiya Finley, Arielle Harris, Jordan Mather, Lexi Johnson, Erin Morton, and Kyndall Horne.



Pictured, left to right, are: Jasmine Orta, Summer Flood, Kiera Smith, Gabie Leslie, Dyi'orre Simmons, Ty'Angel Butler, Shreeya Patel, Carlee Colbert, Crysly Martinez, Shania McNeil, JaMiya Hieke, and Erin Morton.



EAAP intern Maleah Mariani is pictured at left as she plays a game at a student "store" for a chance to earn a prize.



EAAP interns Jasmine Orta and Summer Flood visit the "store" of 3rd grade entrepreneurs.



EAAP interns Jashawnna Greene, Ava Williams, Abbey Johnson, Kalin McLendon, and Logan Dominy show off some of their items purchased at Market Day.

Mock Interviews Held at HCCA

On February 25-26, 2026, 242 students and 33 interviewers participated in mock interviews held at the Houston College and Career Academy.

When asked about their interview experience, students said their interview was not so bad after all and that they felt more confident for future interviews. Several students said this was their first interview experience and they were glad to have the experience.

The mock interviews are held yearly before the HCCA Hiring/Career Fair scheduled for March 5, 2026. Mock interviews are one more way HCCA students are becoming workforce ready.

Special thanks industry partner interviewers from Armstrong, Parrish Construction, RAFB, Rigby's, Houston Development Authority, Colony Bank, Georgia Kingship Project, Flint Energies, Kiwanis Club of Warner Robins, Houston County Sheriff's Department SRO division and Robins Regional Chamber. Also, Central Georgia Technical College, Middle Georgia State University, HCCA Principal and Assistant Principal, custodial staff, HCSD Work-Based Learning Facilitators, and HCSD K-5 Science Coordinator.



Pictured at right are many interviewers with students.



Pictured above, in front is HCCA Principal, Dr. Sherry Johnson, with a student interviewing. Pictured back left, is April Bragg, Robins Regional Chamber of Commerce, as she interviews a student.



Dr. Tonya Woolfolk, HCSD K-5 Science Coordinator, is pictured interviewing a student.



Warner Robins Kiwanis Club member, David Simmons, is pictured above interviewing a student.



At right, SRO officer, Angel Nunez, is pictured as he interviews a student.

2026 HCCA Hiring/Career Fair Was A Huge Success

Thanks to the many businesses and colleges who came to speak to the HCCA students. These were: Flint Energies, Visiting Angels, Macon Electrical (IBEW), Blue Bird, Hutchinson Automotive Group, Armstrong World Industries, Graphic Packaging, Comfort Heating and Air, Unified Defense, Robins Air Logistics Complex, Houston County 911, Perry Parks and Rec., Middle Georgia State University, Central Georgia Technical College, MetroPower, Speir Electrical, Perry Police Department, Paulson-Cheek Mechanical, Independent Electrical Contractors, U.S. Army, Ace Electric, and The Beauty Academy.

Several students received Golden Tickets indicating companies wish to talk with the students about careers with their companies. Marshall Stone (Automotive and HVAC pathways) received two Golden Tickets.

Special thanks goes to the HCCA Culinary Arts students for providing wonderful refreshments, and Kayla Paulk and Linda Flowers for their amazing help with the event.

Event host was Sandi Couillard, Youth Apprenticeship Facilitator for Houston County School District.



Marshall Stone



Veterans High School

VHS FBLA Shines at State Leadership Conference



Veterans High School FBLA proudly represented Houston County School District at the 2026 Georgia FBLA State Leadership Conference, earning multiple chapter and individual awards.

Chapter Awards

- Chapter of the Year – Bronze Level
- Membership All Star Challenge
- 100 Member Club

Special Recognition

Tobias Stripling was recognized as one of only three Advisers in Georgia with 100% class participation in FBLA and was honored on stage at the State Leadership Conference.

Advisers Tammie Love and Tobias Stripling were both named Georgia FBLA Golden Ticket Recipients.

Student Highlights

- Aleena Martin – 1st place Intro to Information Technology
- Cymphony House – 1st place Intro to Retail Merchandise
- Aleena Martin – 2nd place Intro to Retail Merchandise
- Cymphony House – 3rd place Intro to Business Concepts

Additional Top 10 Finishers

Donnell Cox – Advertising (6th)
 Gabriel Fisher – Journalism (7th)
 Mia Loyd – Intro to Public Speaking (9th)
 Angeline Mendez – Intro to Business Presentation (10th)

National Qualifiers:

Aleena Martin and Cymphony House will represent Veterans High School at the FBLA National Leadership Conference this summer.

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

VHS FBLA Member Selected to Serve as a Region 5 Officer for Georgia FBLA



VHS is proud to recognize Keegan Torres for his outstanding achievement. Keegan has been selected to serve as a Region 5 Officer for Georgia FBLA for the 2026–2027 school year. Keegan served as the chapter's treasurer for the 2025-2026 school year and chapter leader for the 2024-2025 school year.



Northside High School

NHS FCCLA Students Participate in UGA FACS Day at the Capitol During FCCLA Week



Northside High School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter participated in the annual University of Georgia Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) Day at the Capitol on February 11th as part of the national celebration of FCCLA Week. The event provided students with a unique opportunity to engage with state leaders, advocate for Career and Technical Education, and witness government leadership in action.

Students visited the Georgia State Capitol alongside peers from Houston County High School and Thomson Middle School, strengthening

collaboration among local FCCLA chapters while promoting the impact of Family and Consumer Sciences education across the state.

A highlight of the visit was meeting Northside High School and FCCLA alumnus James Stephens, who now serves as Chief of Staff for Georgia State Senator Derek Mallow. Students also had the opportunity to meet Houston County Representative Shaw Blackmon, gaining insight into public service, leadership pathways, and civic engagement.

The experience allowed students to see firsthand how skills developed through FCCLA - leadership, communication, service, and career readiness - translate into real-world opportunities and professional success.

Northside High FCCLA remains committed to its mission of promoting positive relationships through cooperation, leadership, and personal growth. Events such as FACS Day at the Capitol help students expand their perspectives, build professional connections, and understand the importance of advocacy for education and community leadership.

Through participation in leadership experiences beyond the classroom, Northside High FCCLA continues to prepare students to become confident leaders and active contributors to their communities.

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



NHS FCCLA Adviser Named 2026 GAFCS Teacher of the Year



Northside High School FCCLA is proud to announce that one of its Advisers, Faythe Pollard, has been selected as a 2026 Georgia Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (GAFCS) Teacher of the Year Award recipient. This prestigious honor recognizes outstanding educators across the state of Georgia who demonstrate excellence in Family and Consumer Sciences education, leadership development, and student impact.

Ms. Pollard will be recognized at the Georgia Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Annual State Conference on March 17, 2026, held at the Georgia FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington, Georgia.

As the Northside High FCCLA Adviser and Family and Consumer Sciences educator, Ms. Pollard is known for her passion for empowering students with real-world skills that prepare them for life beyond high school. Through hands-on learning experiences, leadership opportunities, and community service initiatives, she helps students grow in confidence, responsibility, and purpose.

Under Ms. Pollard's leadership, Northside High FCCLA members actively participate in leadership conferences, service projects, and STAR Events competitions, consistently representing Northside High School with excellence at the regional and state levels. Her classroom emphasizes practical life skills including financial literacy, nutrition and wellness, career readiness, and family leadership, ensuring students are prepared for both college and careers.

Ms. Pollard's connection to Family and Consumer Sciences began at a young age through her own involvement in FCCLA, where she served as a Georgia FCCLA State Officer. Today, she continues to model leadership, service, and lifelong learning for her students. She holds an Associate of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences, bachelor's and master's degrees in Elementary Education, and is currently completing her Specialist degree in Instructional Technology.

Ms. Pollard often shares that her mission as an educator is to "pour into students so they can pour into others," a philosophy that is evident through the positive culture and strong sense of family within Northside High FCCLA.

Northside High FCCLA proudly celebrates Ms. Pollard for this well-deserved recognition and thanks her for the dedication, heart, and leadership she brings to students each day.



Houston County High School

HCHS FCCLA Shines Bright and Sweeps the Competition at Region



Pictured above, left to right, back row, are: Raelee Brown, Ellie Jane Cunningham, Lauren Clark, Jaelynn Coleman, and Jennifer Coleman; middle row, Han Kim, Ryhem Hacena, Kaila Sampsell, Danae' Riley, Hyunseo Kim, and Nishi Prajapati; front row, Kennedy Thomas, Madison Jones, Amber Ulshafer, Lily Dockery, Justice Trasmer, and Maria Garcellano.

On Friday, February 6th, the FCCLA Region 7 STAR Event Competition was held at Georgia Southwestern University in Americus, Georgia. STAR Events, which stands for Students Taking Action with Recognition, is a competitive event which allows students to showcase their proficiency and skills in individual projects, leadership, and career preparation. 17 HCHS FCCLA members competed in various STAR Event competitions against students representing other schools from across the region. During STAR Event competitions, members represented HCHS through projects that reflected their skills and talents in public speaking, project planning, community outreach, and more.



HCHS FCCLA Shines Bright and Sweeps the Competition at Region (continued)

Houston County High is so proud of these competitors and excited to share that HCHS swept the competition with all competitors earning Gold Medals and numerous 1st place wins.

Congratulations to the following:

Jaelynn and Jennifer Coleman – 1st place and PERFECT SCORE in Repurpose and Redesign Level 3
 Maria Garcellano, Han Kim, and Kennedy Thomas – 1st place and PERFECT SCORE in National Programs in Action Level 2

Raelee Brown and Ellie Jane Cunningham – 1st place in Chapter Service Project Level 3

Lauren Clark – 1st place in Early Childhood Education Level 3

Ryhem Hacena and Nishi Prajapati – 1st place in Job Interview Level 2

Danae' Riley and Kaila Sampsell – 1st place in Focus on Children Level 3

Madison Jones – 1st place in Job Interview Level 2

Hyunseo Kim and Justice Trasmer – 1st place in Professional Presentation Level 2

Lily Dockery and Amber Ulshafer – 2nd place in Chapter Service Project Portfolio Level 3

We wish 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 25-27, 2026 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 GA Highway 96 in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Brittany Tolleson is the HCHS FCCLA Adviser. Dr. Jay Jones serves as Principal.



Han Kim, Kennedy Thomas, and Maria Garcellano earned a Perfect Score in the National Programs in Action Level 2 STAR Event Competition.



Jennifer and Jaelynn Coleman earned a Perfect Score in the Repurpose and Redesign Level 3 STAR Event Competition.

Northside Middle School

NMS Area 3 FFA Competitions



In December, Northside Middle School FFA students competed in the Area 3 Veterinary Science Career Development Event (CDE) and Floriculture Career Development Event at Camp John Hope in Fort Valley, Georgia. During the Vet Science competition, students took a 50 question test over Veterinary and Livestock Practices, identified 25 various types of medical equipment and livestock and companion breeds, and performed a clinical procedure for a judge. The NMS FFA team placed 12th out of 26 teams in the area competition, and Aubrey Kaiser placed 4th high individual. Members of the team, pictured at left, include Paige Lyle, Aubrey Kaiser, Ansley Griffeth, and Karly Gainey.

In the Floriculture CDE, students had to take a 25 question test over the Horticulture Industry and identified 25 ornamental flower species. The NMS FFA team placed 8th out of 22 teams, and members of the team, pictured at right, include Melani Morales, Kevin Zanudo, Aniya Sutton, and Rudy Pacheco.



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

NMS FFA Student Earns Awards at Georgia FFA State Rabbit Show



In Perry, at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agriculture Center, FFA Member Jaicee Blalock exhibited her Holland Lop Rabbit, Milo, and won Reserve Champion Intermediate Showman. She also won 1st place in her respective class. Jaicee is the first student from Northside Middle to ever show a rabbit, and the state show was Jaicee's first rabbit show ever.



Northside Middle	Perry Middle	Thomson Middle	Warner Robins Middle	Bonaire Middle	Feagin Mill Middle	Huntington Middle	Mossy Creek Middle

NMS FFA Students Exhibit Chickens at the American Poultry Association Chicken Show



Trying new skills, Northside Middle FFA Members, Karly Gainey and Aubrey Kaiser took home 1st place with their show chickens in their respective classes at the American Poultry Show, which was hosted at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricultural Center. Karly Gainey, pictured at left, exhibited a Black Jersey Giant Hen and Aubrey Kaiser, pictured at right, exhibited a Chocolate English Mottled Cockerel. Karly also won the American Breed Division with her hen. Ivy Cook, the Agricultural Teacher at NMS stated, "As a teacher, I never thought that I would help students show chickens, but what a neat addition to our program it has been. I purchased chickens for the school so students would have a hands-on learning opportunity as we go over the poultry industry, but I noticed that students were fascinated with the chickens, and I looked into what it would take for students to show chickens, and made

this opportunity happen for students who had an interest in the poultry industry or who did not have the financial funds to support a livestock animal. I am looking forward to more chicken shows in the future and getting more students involved."



NMS FFA Members Attend Discovery Leadership Conference



In January, four NMS FFA members attended the Discovery Leadership Conference at the Georgia FFA-FCCLA Center in Covington, Georgia. The conference was hosted by the Georgia FFA Association State Officers and State Staff. The students had the opportunity to gain leadership skills, networking connections, and expand their knowledge about FFA. Students who attended are pictured above left, back row, Addy DeFoe, and Aniya Sutton; front row, Paige Lyle and Aubrey Kaiser. NMS FFA member, Aniya Sutton, pictured above right, middle, was highlighted during the workshop at the Discovery Conference in front of the 135 middle school students who attended.



Perry Middle School

FBLA Students Attend FBLA Region 5 Leadership Conference Award Ceremony



FBLA
Region 5
CONFERENCE



On February 4, 2026, FBLA members from Bonaire Middle School, Feagin Mill Middle School, Perry Middle School, and Warner Robins Middle School gathered for the 2026 FBLA Region 5 Leadership Conference Award Ceremony held at Rigby's Entertainment Complex. This special event served as a joint CTAE activity, bringing together students, Advisers, and families to celebrate the hard work and accomplishments of middle school business leaders across the district. The ceremony recognized students who competed in a variety of leadership and career-focused events, highlighting their dedication and commitment to excellence.

The event, spearheaded by Allison Risaliti from Bonaire Middle, was a memorable celebration of student achievement and collaboration. Collectively, the FBLA members from all four schools proudly brought

home 44 awards (BMS: 11, FMMS: 12, PMS: 18, and WRMS: 3) for Region 5, showcasing the strength of their preparation and teamwork in the Houston County School District CTAE program. The evening not only honored competitive success but also emphasized the unity of the District's CTAE programs and the shared mission of developing confident, capable future leaders through FBLA.

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

PMS FBLA Attends FBLA State Leadership Conference

On February 23, 2026, the Perry Middle School FBLA chapter proudly attended the FBLA State Leadership Conference in Columbus, Georgia. Students represented their school with professionalism, confidence, and enthusiasm as they participated in workshops and competitive events. Throughout the conference, members demonstrated strong leadership qualities by boldly interacting with presenters, asking thoughtful questions, and engaging in meaningful discussions. Their willingness to step outside their comfort zones reflected the preparation and dedication they have developed through their involvement in FBLA.

In the weeks leading up to the conference, competitors worked diligently to prepare for their events, practicing presentations, refining projects, and strengthening their skills. Their hard work paid off as they made it to the final round of competition. Perry Middle School FBLA proudly brought home three state awards, marking an exciting accomplishment for the chapter. The experience not only celebrated their achievements but also inspired members to continue striving for excellence in leadership, academics, and career readiness. The awards are as follows: Edwin Tang, 3rd place, Slide Deck Applications; Ava Whelchel, 3rd place, Word Processing Applications; and Ava Whelchel, 8th place, Excel Spreadsheet Applications.



Warner Robins Middle School

WRMS FBLA Attends FBLA State Leadership Conference

Five members of the Warner Robins Middle School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter recently represented the school at the FBLA State Leadership Conference, held on February 23, 2026, at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center. The conference brought together middle school students from across the state to showcase their knowledge, skills, and leadership in a variety of business and technology competitions.



Several WRMS students competed in the Exploring Business Issues event. Congratulations to Anna Lopez Martinez, Kyndall Ford, and Cing Nuam, who represented their school with professionalism and strong preparation throughout the competition.

WRMS FBLA is also proud to recognize Kilee Compton and Kherington Shaw, who competed in Exploring Website Design and earned an impressive 9th place finish at the state level. Their achievement reflects their creativity, technical skills, and dedication to preparing for the event.

The State Leadership Conference provides students with valuable opportunities to apply what they have learned in the classroom, build leadership skills, and connect with other students interested in business and technology careers. WRMS FBLA members represented their school with pride, and WRMS congratulates them on their hard work and accomplishments.

Warner Robins Middle School is located at 425 Mary Lane in Warner Robins, Georgia. Steven Ruzic serves as Principal.



WRMS FBLA and TSA Participate in the STEAM Tour at Mercedes-Benz Stadium

On March 2, 2026, FBLA and TSA members from Warner Robins Middle School had the opportunity to participate in the STEAM Tour at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta, an exciting educational experience that connects classroom learning to real-world applications. The tour highlighted how Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) are used in the design, construction, and daily operation of one of the most advanced stadiums in the country.

During the tour, students learned about the innovative engineering and architecture that make Mercedes-Benz Stadium unique. Guides explained how technology powers the stadium's massive halo video board, advanced lighting, and sound systems that create an unforgettable fan experience. Students also explored the stadium's commitment to sustainability, including energy efficiency, water conservation, and recycling initiatives that helped the stadium earn LEED Platinum certification for environmental design.

In addition to learning about technology and engineering, students discovered how creativity and design play an important role in the stadium through artwork, branding, and visual displays throughout the facility. The tour also introduced students to the many career opportunities connected to sports venues, including engineering, event management, broadcasting, marketing and technology.

Students were able to visit several areas of the stadium that are not normally open to the public, giving them a behind-the-scenes look at how such a large and complex facility operates. The experience helped students see how the STEAM skills they learn in school can lead to exciting careers and innovations in the future.



Huntington Middle School

HMS FBLA Bluecoats State Leadership Success

Huntington Middle School congratulates the HMS FBLA Chapter on an outstanding performance at the recent State Leadership Conference. The members demonstrated incredible talent, dedication, and professionalism, bringing home numerous accolades and awards that showcase the strength of their program.

HMS is celebrating the following achievements:

- Chapter Winner: Doubling Membership Recruitment Award
- Jared Sarmiento: State Winner, 10th place – Exploring Animation
- Ayden Daniels: State Winner, 5th place – Career Research (National Leadership Conference Alternate)
- Priyan Patel: State Winner, 4th place – Exploring Animation (National Leadership Conference Qualifier – San Antonio, Texas)
- Franklin Shelley:
 - Statesman Award Winner
 - State Winner, 4th place – Interpersonal Communication (National Leadership Conference Qualifier – San Antonio, Texas)
 - State Champion, 1st place – Public Speaking (National Leadership Conference Qualifier – San Antonio, Texas)

The hard work each student puts into their competitive events and recruitment efforts have truly paid off. For those who have qualified for the National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas, HMS FBLA looks forward to supporting you as you prepare to compete on the national stage.

Huntington Middle School is located at 206 Wellborn Road in Warner Robins, Georgia. Dr. Marlon Robinson serves as Principal.



Franklin Shelley



Priyan Patel and
Valeria Drummond

CTAE Month - FBLA Week at Huntington Middle School



At Huntington Middle School, the week was filled with leadership, school spirit, professionalism, and Hawk pride as students showcased what it truly means to be members of the Future Business Leaders of America.

Throughout the week, students participated in:

- Monday – FBLA Breakfast Buffet (members only) - A special celebration honoring active members and their commitment to excellence.



- Tuesday – FBLA Pajama Day: “Just Chill” - Students showed their spirit while supporting the HMS FBLA chapter fundraiser.
- Wednesday – Well-Dressed Wednesday: The Black History Edition - Students demonstrated professionalism and celebrated Black History Month with a special program with guests as CTAE Month was kicked off.



CTAE Month - FBLA Week at Huntington Middle School (continued)

- Thursday – “Just Kickin’ It” Kicks and Outfit Of The Day Contest - An exciting and competitive day featuring style, confidence, and a \$100 prize for the overall winner.



- Friday – FBLA Spirit Day - Students proudly represented FBLA all day long.

Because of continued support, the HMS FBLA chapter continues to grow in membership, leadership development, and community engagement. The enthusiasm from the students was inspiring, and the participation across campus made the week truly memorable.

HMS FBLA extends a special thank you to the administration, teachers, families, and community supporters who helped make this week a tremendous success. Their encouragement allows the students to develop the skills, confidence, and professionalism needed to become future leaders.

Hawks Lead. Hawks Succeed. Hawks Soar.



Celebrating Success: HMS Region Leadership Conference

It is with great pride that HMS announces the outstanding achievements of their FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) chapter at the recent Region Leadership Conference. The talented students demonstrated exceptional skill and dedication, earning medals in thirteen different events.

HMS congratulates the following region winners for their hard work and success:

6th Grade Region Winners

- Evan Luna: 1st place – Exploring Technology
- Aiden Harden: 2nd place – Interpersonal Communication
- Roderick Williams: 3rd place – Exploring Personal Finance
- Isaiah Simmons: 4th place – Exploring Personal Finance
- Dillon Holmstrom: 4th place – Exploring Technology
- James McKelvin: 5th place – Exploring Personal Finance
- Jared Sarmiento: 5th place – Exploring Technology

7th Grade Region Winners

- Okami Clark and Mariyah Mack: 1st place (Team) – Exploring Business Ethics
- Priyan Patel: 1st place – Career Exploration

8th Grade Region Winners

- Franklin Shelley: 1st place – Interpersonal Communication
- Franklin Shelley: 1st place – Exploring Public Speaking
- Franklin Shelley: Statesmen Award Winner
- Gabrian Ingram: 1st place – Exploring Computer Science
- Carlos Sarmiento: 5th place – Exploring Leadership

These accolades are a testament to the students' commitment to excellence and the bright futures ahead of them in the world of Computer Science and Business and Technology. Huntington Middle School is incredibly proud of how they represented the school.



Huntington Middle School FCCLA Members Attend FCCLA Day at the Capitol

To celebrate National FCCLA Week, Huntington Middle School FCCLA members attended FCCLA Day at the Capitol. When legislators make crucial decisions concerning education, they heavily consider the perspectives their local constituents share. By visiting Atlanta and actively engaging in a day of touring the Capitol and meeting with legislators, FCCLA members and Advisers effectively represent the organization's voice. While exploring the Georgia Capitol, students were provided with a valuable chance to witness the state government in action and gain firsthand insights into the judicial and lawmaking processes. Students had the opportunity to see Governor Kemp and his wife take pictures on the Capitol steps with an organization. Even more importantly, students had the opportunity to meet State Superintendent of Education, Richard Woods, and State Deputy Superintendent of Career, Technical and Agricultural Education, Dr. Barbara Wall. Students also had the opportunity to visit the Martin Luther King Jr. Center at its alternate location and his birthplace on Auburn Avenue. Students in attendance were: Aubree Osborne, Artasia Beck, Kenslee Vickers, and Amareya Sims.



HMS FCCLA students are pictured above with Richard Woods, State Superintendent of Education.



HMS FCCLA students are pictured above with Dr. Barbara Wall, State Deputy Superintendent of Career, Technical and Agricultural Education.



HMS FCCLA, FFA, and TSA Clubs Roll into Learning at Level Up



Huntington Middle School Career Tech students took learning outside of the classroom as they participated in an exciting STEM lesson at the FEC Skating Rink in Macon, Georgia. Students engaged in a fun lesson that brought music, math and roller skating together in the same place. The students were able to make real-world experiences related to science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Students learned how beats per minute in music relate to rhythm and timing on the skating rink, discovering how skaters use steady patterns to maintain balance and flow. The students walked to the famous beat of “Staying Alive.” They also applied math skills by examining speed, distance, and angles while skating, seeing firsthand how numbers help explain motion and movement. Hands-on demonstrations and guided activities helped students connect these concepts in memorable ways. Students had a day full of learning, excitement, and plenty of laughs as they rolled their way into new STEM discoveries.

Sekemia Caldwell-Johnson serves as the FCCLA Adviser, Christina Ford as the FFA Adviser and Keith Townsend as the TSA Adviser at Huntington Middle School.



HMS FCCLA Members Promote Literacy During Read Across America Week



Huntington Middle School FCCLA members participated in Read Across America Week at Westside Elementary School by reading to students in Pre-K - 5th grade. This Community Service activity aligns with Georgia FCCLA's State Initiative "Living Literacy." The idea is to bring literacy to life, not just by reading and writing but promoting all forms of understanding through academic literacy, emotional and relationship literacy, family literacy and community literacy, just to name a few. Literacy is empowerment. It is the key to better opportunities, stronger families, and more informed communities. By focusing on service around this theme, students are

helping people gain the tools they need to grow, connect and succeed in every area of life. Student readers pictured above, left to right, are: front row, Laila Ragin, Johana Aquino, Dextiny Lyons, Aiden Harden, Averi Brown and Sincere West; back row: Karrington Cross, Aston Walton, Amir Davis, and Ayden Daniels.

HMS FCCLA Members Advance to State in STAR Events

Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR), is a competitive event in which students compete at the regional, state and national levels to showcase their proficiency and skills in individual projects, leadership and career preparation. In February, three of Huntington Middle School's FCCLA members traveled to Georgia Southwestern University in Americus, Georgia and competed against other Region 7 FCCLA members in individual projects that landed them a spot at the next level. Students prepared for projects by completing research, interviews, speeches and staying after school.

Congratulations to the following HMS FCCLA members, who received silver ratings for Level One:

Karlee Ferguson – 1st place, Say Yes to FCS Education

Aston Walton – 1st place, Interpersonal Communication

Sincere West – 1st place, Public Policy Advocate



Pictured, left to right are: Aston Walton, Karlee Ferguson, and Sincere West.



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High School CTAE Supervisors



Pictured are, back row, left to right: Shayna Brown (HCHS), Tom Seward, CTAE Director, Heather Burley (NHS), and Robert Walker (WRHS). Front row: Jay Wood (PHS), Dana Morris (VHS), and Dr. Sherry Johnson (HCCA).

Middle School CTAE Contacts



Pictured are, back row, left to right: Frank Kenney (MCMS), Tom Seward, CTAE Director, and Dr. Torris Woolfolk (HMS). Front row: William Basby (NMS), Dr. Ciara Northern (FMMS), Andre Davis (BMS), and Shenequia Jones (WRMS). Not pictured are: Dr. Monique Lester (PMS), Fred Thomas (BMS/PMS) and Dr. Candida Fielding (TMS).

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