



2007-08 CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION SUCCESSES



The Career and Technology Education Business Advisory Scholarship Committee awarded \$14,400 in scholarships to deserving Career and Technology Education students. Students who received scholarships from Haltom High School are Dalia Rodriguez and Stefant Phonthephasone; from Richland High School, Jaqueline Gonzalez, Emily Lazenby, and Michael Gardetto; from Birdville High School, Nicole Ciulla, Matthew Tolar, and Russel Houy; from Shannon Learning Center, Sarah Whitworth; the recipients are pictured with Dr. Stephen Waddell, Superintendent and Dr. Linda Anderson, Career and Technology Education Director.

The Birdville ISD Comprehensive Career Guidance Program was chosen as InterLink's 2007 Outstanding Career and Technology Guidance Program. Additionally, **BISD Media Technology** was recognized as **InterLink**'s Regional Outstanding Career and Technology program.

BISD Career and Technology Education (CTE) is recognized as a national exemplary program and students continue to receive regional, state, and national recognition. Additionally, teachers and administrators hold leadership positions.

Dr. Linda Anderson served the state as **Career and Technology Association of Texas** President.

The **Association of Texas Technology Education** is proud to recognize **Dr. Linda Anderson** with the State's Distinguished Leadership Award for 2008 on behalf of the Board of Directors.

Dr. Stephen Waddell was recognized for providing Outstanding Support for Career and Technology Education. He also served on a state-wide panel at the Career and Technology Education Mid-Winter Conference with state governments and business leaders.

The **Greater Fort Worth Builders Association** recognized **Mike Benton** and the Career Center's Construction Technology program for their Community Service.

The Birdville Career and Technology Education Department is proud to have **Karen Seimears**, Media Technology teacher, Career Center, as an **Apple Distinguished Educator**, one of few around the world.

The Birdville Career and Technology Education Department is honored to have **Olin Harrington**, Automotive Technology teacher, Career Center, serving on the State **SkillsUSA** Board as a District Board Representative and as Secretary Treasurer.

Business Professionals of America recognized **Cindy Valenta** as a Twenty-Five-Year Advisor and **Michelle Heckathorn** as a Five-Year Advisor at the 2008 **Business Professionals of America** National Leadership Conference in Reno, Nevada.

Carlotta Browning was recognized as Texas Association of Future Educators Region XI Sponsor of the Year.



Career and Technology Association of Texas is pleased to announce that Stefant Phonthephasone, Haltom High School student, received the 2008 Myra Hasty and Dr. Pat McLeod Scholarship and was recognized in Houston on July 23, 2008.



Stefant Phonthephasone, Haltom High School student, was recognized by the Texas Career and Technology Council as the "Best of Texas" Outstanding Career and Technology Student at the State Capitol in Austin on April 21, 2008. (pictured with **Dr. Linda Anderson**, CTE Director; **Judy Griggers**, Retired Haltom High School Business Education Teacher; and **Cindy Valenta**, Haltom High School Business Education Teacher.)

BISD Career and Technology Education students competed and won in regional, state, and national competitions during 2007-2008.

WINNERS FROM HALTOM HIGH SCHOOL:



Pictured above are Haltom High School BPA State Qualifiers, Stefant Phonthephasone, Dalia Rodriguez, and Chris Reyes

Business Professionals of America Regional Competition took place January 26, 2008. Haltom High State Qualifiers were, Alicia Rivas, Open Events; Anna Martinez, Advanced Interview Skills; Andrea Devora, Open Events; Ashley Sullens, Open Events; Christopher Reyes, Global Marketing Team; Clayton Burlison, Video Production Team; Dalia Rodriguez, Global Marketing Team; **Daniel España**, Keyboarding Production; **Jane Tran**, Interview Skills; Jessica Hamby, Open Events; Kang Xiong, Computerized Accounting; Leo Wood, PC Servicing & Troubleshooting; Leo Wood, Open Event; Maggie Kurosky, Video Production Team; Mayra Rodriguez, Basic Office Systems & Procedures; Melissa McFeeters, Legal Office Systems and Procedures; My Nguyen, Advanced Office Systems and Procedures; Nang Cao, Open Events; Phillip Van Wyk, Keyboarding Production; Rachael Wilson, Open Events; Safa Elshanshory, Open Events; Sean Hensarling, Open Events; Sheldon Stone, Open Events; Soukchay Khounvisith, Economic Research Project Team, Stefant Phonthephasone, Global Marketing Team; Sydney Harris, Legal Office Systems and Procedures; Thu Nguyen, Economic Research Project Team; Vanessa Romero, Open Events; Victoria Noris, Advanced Word Processing Skills; Victoria Noris, Global Marketing Team. State Alternates were, Alana Franklin, Medical Office Procedures; Aparna Gudimetla, Graphic Design Promotion; Chloe Hodge, Administrative Support Team; Clayton Burlison, PC

Graphic Design Promotion; Chloe Hodge, Administrative Support Team; Clayton Burlison, PC Servicing & Troubleshooting; Daniel España, Administrative Support Team; Evelyn Aguilar, Administrative Support Team; Hang Nguyen, Basic Office Systems and Procedures; Lindsey Eagon, Administrative Support Team; Tien Nguyen, Graphic Design; Telisha Smith, Advanced Interview Skills; and Sheldon Stone, Advanced Interview Skills.

Business Professionals of America Diplomat Torch Award Recipients were Nang Cao, Safa Elshanshory, Anna Martinez, Victoria Noris, Stefant Phonthephasone, Lauren Ramirez, Dalia Rodriguez, and Mayra Rodriguez.





Business Professionals of America State Competition - Haltom High School students who competed at the state competition in Dallas, March 5-8, 2008 and advanced as national qualifiers were **Leo Wood**, PC Servicing & Troubleshooting; **Safa Elshanshory**, Open Events; and **Sean Hensarling**, Open Events.

National Alternates were, **Chris Reyes**, Global Marketing Team; **Dalia Rodriguez**, Global Marketing Team; **Jane Tran**, Interview Skills; **Stefant Phonthephasone**, Global Marketing Team; and **Victoria Noris**, Global Marketing Team;

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The Business Professionals of America Texas State Association awarded a \$500 scholarship to Haltom High School student, **Stefant Phonthephasone.**

Business Professionals of America National Competition - Haltom High School students who competed at the national competition in Reno, Nevada, May 7-10, 2008 and placed were **Leo Wood**, PC Servicing & Troubleshooting(Written); and **Safa Elshanshory**, Insurance Concepts. Business Professionals of America National Ambassador Torch Award recipients were **Anna Martinez**, **Victoria Noris**, **Dalia Rodriguez** and **Stefant Phonthephasone**.

Cindy Valenta's Business Professionals of America chapter of Haltom High School was recognized with two National Special Recognition Awards: *Community Action* and *Special Olympics*.

Haltom's Business Professionals of America advisors are Chris Gann, Tracie Hagar, Alisa Hamilton, Michelle Heckathorn, and Cindy Valenta.

Haltom students who competed at the **DECA** District VII competition in Dallas, February 1-2, 2008 and qualified to advance to the state competition were, **Kang Xiong**, Accounting Applications; **Veronica Davis**, Accounting Applications; **Nang Cao**, Food Marketing; **Dalia Rodriguez**, Hotel & Lodging Management; **Stefant Phonthephasone**, Retail Merchandising; **Andrea Devora**, Retail Merchandising; **Abby Rodriguez**, Sports & Entertainment Marketing; **My Nguyen** and **Hang Nguyen**: Business Law and Ethics Management Team; **Beverly Hoffman** and **Justin Newman**, Financial Analysis Team; **Corey Wake**, Quiz Bowl; and **Matthew Cutting**, Quiz Bowl.

The Haltom High School student who competed at the **DECA** State Career Development Conference in Corpus Christi on February 28- March 1, 2008 and advanced to the International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia was **Corey Wake**, Quiz Bowl.

Dalia Rodriguez was awarded the National Target/DECA Scholarship.

Haltom's **DECA** advisors are **Gary Lejarzar** and **Jerry Caruthers**.

Haltom High School **Texas Association of Future Educators Region XI Competition** recognitions are as follows: **Anthony Hernandez and Pamela Reyes**, TAFE Student of the Year Finalists; **Kevin Curl**: Speech Contest.

Kristen Dickerman was elected as the Region XI President for 2008-2009.

Haltom High School was elected as the Region XI President School.

Haltom High School **Texas Association of Future Educators State Competition** recognitions are as follows: **Anthony Hernandez,** TAFE Student of the Year; **Kevin Curl,** Speech Contest; **Janeice Bowman** and **Taylor Denny**, Chapter Scrapbook-Blue Ribbon; **Taylor Denny** and **Nikki O'Neal**, Project Visualize-Blue Ribbon; **Bahja Jones** and **Kristen Dickerman**, Top Ten Project.

Haltom High School's TAFE chapter was a recipient of TAFE Outstanding Chapter Award. **Texas Association of Future Educators** awarded **Anthony Hernandez** with a \$1,000 scholarship and **Kevin Curl** with a \$1,200 scholarship.

Haltom High School's **Texas Association of Future Educators** advisors are **Carlotta Browning** and **Linda Harden**.



Haltom High School Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America Region II and State Competition recognitions are as follows: Anthony Hernandez, Job Interview; Bahja Jones, Job Interview; Taylor Denny and Janeice Bowman, Focus on Children; Nikki O'Neal, Stories that Teach; and Kevin Curl, Stories that Teach.

Haltom High School's **Family**, **Career**, and **Community Leaders of America** advisors are **Carlotta Browning** and **Linda Harden**.

Haltom High School Future Educators Association recognitions are as follows: Anthony Hernandez, National Speech Finalist; Pamela Reyes, National Essay Finalist. Haltom High's Future Educators Association advisor is Carlotta Browning.

Haltom High School **Health Occupations Students of America** recognitions are as follows: **Susan Jenner** advanced to State and National competitions in Interviewing Skills; **Leslie Rodriguez** advanced to State for her Health Careers Poster.

Susan Jenner competed in the National **HOSA** competition and placed second in the nation for Interviewing Skills.

Haltom High School Health Occupations Students of America advisor is Emily Livingston.

WINNERS FROM RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL:

Business Professionals of America Regional Competition took place January 26, 2008. Richland High School State Qualifiers are Wes Albaugh, Digital Media Production; Amber Patterson, Financial Analysis Team; Thu Tran, Entrepreneurship; Karen Gamble, Financial Analysis Team; Michael Kessler, Payroll Accounting; Lupita Ornelas, Financial Analysis Team; Gwen Owens, Financial Analysis Team; Enrique Mendiaz, CISCO Networking; Jacob Klausing, CISCO Networking; Matt Cobb, Extemporaneous Speech; Alex Welcing, Prepared Speech.

Business Professionals of America State Competition - Richland High School students who competed at the state competition in Dallas, March 5-8, 2008 and advanced as national qualifiers were **Enrique Mendiaz**, CISCO Networking; and **Jacob Klausing**, CISCO Networking.

Business Professionals of America National Competition - Richland High School students who competed at the national competition in Reno, Nevada, May 7-10, 2008 and placed were Enrique Mendiaz, CISCO Networking; and Jacob Klausing, CISCO Networking. Richland High School's Business Professionals of America advisors are Tiffanie Friend, Mari McCuistion, and Amy Strickland.

Richland High School's **DECA** students who competed at the District VII competition in Dallas, February 1-2, 2008 and qualified to advance to the state competition were **Hailey Webster**, Entrepreneurship Written Event; **Selene Velasco**, Retail Merchandising; **Antares Lake**, Restaurant & Food Service Management; **Michael Gardetto**, Accounting; **Rachel Dargan**, Accounting; **Stephanie Nguyen**, Sports & Entertainment Marketing; **Amanda McFarland**, Apparel and Accessories.

The Richland High School student who competed at the **DECA** State Career Development Conference in Corpus Christi on February 28- March 1, 2008 and advanced to the International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia was **Michael Gardetto**, Accounting. **Hailey Webster** ran for State Vice-President at the State Career Development Conference. Richland High School's **DECA** advisor is **Iracy Pereira**.

Richland High School **Texas Association of Future Educators** recognitions are as follows: **Emily Lazenby**, TAFE Student of the Year finalist; **Samantha Luckie**, Scrapbook Contest-Blue Ribbon; **Brianda Vizcarra** and **Victoria**, Project Visualize.

Richland High School's **Texas Association of Future Educators** Chapter was awarded TAFE Outstanding Chapter Award.

Richland High School Texas Association of Future Educators advisor is Lindsey Metz.



Richland High School's **Health Occupations Students of America** students who competed in the Area V competition and qualified to advance to the State competition were **Jacqueline Gonzalez**, Job Seeking Skills; **Kayla Hardee**, Health Education; **Daniel Wingard**, Health Education; **Molly Jarrell**, Health Education; **Elaria Ibrahim**, Health Education. **Jacqueline Gonzalez** was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from **HOSA Area V**. Richland High School's **HOSA** advisor is **Sally Duke**.

WINNERS FROM BIRDVILLE HIGH SCHOOL:

Business Professionals of America Regional Competition took place January 26, 2008. Birdville High State Qualifiers were Brian Bain, Advanced Spreadsheet Applications; Steven Marberry, Database Applications; Muriel Grove, Administrative Support Concept; Steven Davidson, Integrated Office Applications; Dario Scalco, Fundamental Word Processing Skills; Adam Parker, C++ Programming; Leo Wood, PC Servicing & Troubleshooting.

Business Professionals of America State Competition - Birdville High School students who competed at the state competition in Dallas, March 5-8, 2008 and advanced as national qualifiers were **Brian Bain**, Advanced Spreadsheet Applications; **Adam Parker**, C++ Programming; **Leo Wood**, PC Servicing & Troubleshooting.

The student who was a national alternate was **Steven Davidson**, Integrated Office Applications.

Business Professionals of America National Competition – The Birdville High School student who competed at the national competition in Reno, Nevada, May 7-10, 2008 and placed first in the nation for PC Servicing & Troubleshooting (Written) was **Leo Wood**. Birdville High School's **Business Professionals of America** advisor is **Jan Haynie**.



Birdville High students who competed at the **DECA** District VII competition in Dallas, February 1-2, 2008 and qualified to advance to the state competition were, **Natasha Bolger**, Advertising Campaign; **Kelsey Larson**, Advertising Campaign; **Heather Crawford**, Fashion Promotion Plan; **Anthony Fuentes**, Fashion Promotion Plan; **Sloan McNulty**, Retail Merchandising; **Jessica Butler**, Advertising Campaign; **Calli Buckelew** and **Fletcher Franklin**, Internet Team Decision Making; **Nathan Gamble**, Marketing Management; **Josh Bland**, Hospitality Management; **Andrea McMillan**, Hospitality Management; **Breanna Otero**, Fashion Promotion; and **Heather Yarbrough**, Entrepreneurship Participating.

Birdville High School's **DECA** students who competed at the State Career Development Conference in Corpus Christi on February 28- March 1, 2008 and advanced to the National Competition in Atlanta, Georgia were **Jessica Butler**, Advertising Campaign; **Calli Buckelew** and **Fletcher Franklin**, Internet Team Decision Making.

Nathan Gamble was elected as the 2008-2009 Texas DECA Sergeant-at-Arms. Fletcher Franklin was awarded the National Target/DECA Scholarship.

Birdville High School's **DECA** advisors are **Andrea Anderson** and **Lisa Greco**.



2008 BHS National DECA competitors Fletcher Franklin, Calli Buckelew, Jessica Butler, Nathan Gamble

Birdville High School's **Texas Association of Future Educators** recognitions from the State **TAFE** Leadership Conference are as follows: **Erin Haas**, TAFE Student of the Year finalist; **Whitney Reeves**, TAFE Student

of the Year finalist; **Lisa Owens**, \$1,200 scholarship for her 1st place finish in the Lesson Plan competition; **Alex Miller** and **Brooke Carter**, Project

Visualize-Blue Ribbon; **Erin Haas**, Scrapbook-Blue Ribbon; **Hailee Russell**, Top Ten Project.

The Birdville High **TAFE** chapter was named an outstanding chapter in the state of Texas. **Hailee Russell** was elected as the **TAFE** State Vice President.

Birdville High School's **TAFE** chapter was named the regional winner in the T-Shirt design contest.

Birdville High School TAFE sponsor is Karen Kallas.

Birdville High School's **Health Occupations Students of America** recognitions are as follows: State Qualifiers were **Emilie Varela**, Sports Medicine; **Christine Nguyen**, Extemporaneous Health Poster; **Gary Yardley**, Extemporaneous Writing.

Birdville High School's Health Occupations Students of America advisors are **Patsy Garza** and **Anthony Hays**.

WINNERS FROM RICHLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL:



Richland Middle School students who competed in the **Future City Engineering Competition** in the spring of 2008 are **Markus Lucas**, **Michael Brett**, and **Derek Shockey**. Advisor for the program is **Dee Bowen**.

WINNERS FROM SHANNON CENTER:

Career Center **DECA** students who competed at the District IV Career Development Conference in Dallas, TX, February 1-2, 2008 and qualified to advance to the State Career Development Conference were **Micah Hernandez**, Retail Merchandising; **Yessenia Herrera**, Restaurant & Food Services Management; **Preston Needham**, Marketing Management; and **Sarah Whitworth**, Business Services Marketing.

Shannon Center **DECA** advisors are **Barbara Taylor** and **Tammy Wright**.

WINNERS FROM CAREER CENTER:

The Career and Technology Association of Texas hosted its third annual Texas Public Service Announcement (PSA) Challenge. Over 21 entries from student teams across Texas were judged in the competition. Teams were challenged with producing high quality PSAs that would positively impact enrollment in CTE programs, highlight innovation in education and increase awareness about career and technical programs in their districts. Four first place teams receive a \$500 cash prize. Second place teams receive a \$250 cash prize. Congratulations to the Birdville ISD team that took first place for Students in English. Students were Thomas Norton and Whitney Steele.

Congratulations to **Media Technology** students **Alethea Swanson** from Birdville High, **Ted Gottschalk** from Haltom High, and **Alex Burnett** from Haltom High for their films being selected for screening at the **South by Southwest Film Festival (SXSW)** on March 9 in Austin. There were 3,100 short films submitted to **SXSW** this year. Of those, three of the 12 high school short films selected were BISD media technology students.

Birdville Media Technology had several students win at **Tarrant County VideoFest**. Winners include, **Whitney Steele**, **Cesar Del Rio**, **Alethea Swanson**, **Zack Richards**, **Philip Wilmut**, **Aaron Crowley**, **Garret Sullivan**, and **Ted Gottschalk**.

SkillsUSA Media Technology state qualifiers were **Philip Wilmut**, Audio Production; **Alethea Swanson**, Audio Production; **Nic Neufeld**, Video Product Demo; **Yanina Gonzalez**, Video Product Demo; **Garrett Sullivan**, TV Production; **Ted Daniels**, TV Production.

SkillsUSA Media Technology national qualifiers were: Philip Wilmut, Audio Production; Alethea Swanson, Audio Production; Nic Neufeld, Video Product Demo; Yanina Gonzalez.

SkillsUSA Media Technology students who competed in the national competition and placed were **Nic Neufeld** and **Yanina Gonzalez** who placed first in the nation for Video Production. Media Technology advisors are **Karen Seimears** and **Trevor Kasal**.



Two BISD Automotive Technology students, **Misael Ramos** and **Pablo Porras** from Haltom High School, won first place in the **State Ford/AAA Competition** to represent Texas in the **National Ford/AAA Competition**. The students were awarded tools, scholarships, and full tuition and expenses to attend Brookhaven College for post-secondary Automotive Technician (Ford) program.

SkillsUSA Automotive Technology state qualifiers were **Jeffery Bolt**, Greater New York ADA; **Misael Ramos**, Greater New York ADA; **Paul Crafton**, Outdoor Power and Equipment; **Jeremy Moore**, Motorcycle.

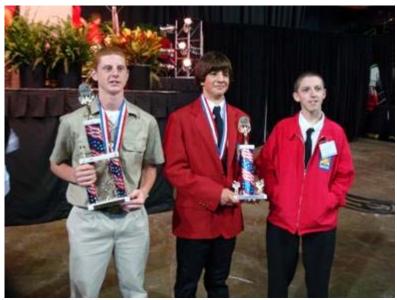
SkillsUSA Automotive Technology national qualifiers were **Jeffery Bolt**, Greater New York ADA; **Misael Ramos**, Greater New York ADA; and **Paul Crafton**, Outdoor Power and Equipment.

Automotive Technology advisors are **Olin Harrington**, **Ric Calderon** and **Antoin Sanders**.

SkillsUSA Culinary Arts students who advanced to State competition were **Kristen Keirig**, Commercial Banking.

Culinary Arts advisor is Monique Coleman.

SkillsUSA Construction Technology state qualifiers were James Balderas, Civil Engineering, Surveying and Mapping; James Balderas, American Spirit Award; Patrick Benton, Surveying and Mapping; Joshua Manis, Building Maintenance; Jose Mena, Team Works; Nic Young-Davis, Welding; Nic Young Davis, American Spirit Award; Justin Shearman, Masonry; Michael Puckett, Civil Engineering, Surveying and Mapping; Trenton Townley, Surveying and Mapping; and Sergio Garcia, Residential Wiring.



SkillsUSA Construction Technology national qualifiers were James Balderas, Surveying and Mapping; James Balderas, American Spirit Award; Nic Young-Davis, Welding; Nickolas Young Davis, American Spirit Award;.



James Balderas and Nickolas Young-Davis (pictured with Laura Upchurch, Cosmetology) competed in the National SkillsUSA American Spirit Award competition in Kansas City, Missouri and placed second in the nation.

The Construction Technology advisors are Mike Benton, Joe Rocker, and Tim Sanders.

SkillsUSA Cosmetology state qualifiers were Stephanie Alvarez, Quiz Bowl; Lizeth Bautista, Emlem Ceremony; Viviana Gonzalez, Women's Haircutting; Adela Ramos, Emblem Ceremony; Brenda Rodriguez, Quiz Bowl; Laura Upchurch, American Spirit Award; Angel Wilson, Quiz Bowl.



SkillsUSA Cosmetology national qualifier was Laura Upchurch (pictured with James Balderas and Nickolas Young-Davis), American Spirit Award.

Laura Upchurch competed in the National **SkillsUSA American Spirit Award competition** in Kansas City, Missouri and placed second in the nation. **Cosmetology** advisor is **Charlotte Covington**.

SkillsUSA Criminal Justice state qualifiers were Russell Houy, Felony Traffic Stop; Brandon Kim, Felony Traffic Stop; Kenneth Arrington, Building Search; Brandon Harris, Building Search; and Jasper Whins, Building Search.

Kenneth Arrington competed in the Texas Public Service Association Criminal Justice Competition and placed third in Obstacle Course.

The Criminal Justice advisor is Jose Hernandez.



2008 BISD **DECA** students and teachers at the State Career Development Conference in Corpus Christi, TX March 1, 2008

This book was prepared by Stefant (Thee) Phonthephasone, Haltom High School, Class of 2008