RYAN HIGH

Ryan Parliamentary Procedures team wins national competition

The Ryan High School Business Professionals of America (BPA) Parliamentary Procedure Team placed among the top 10 teams at the parliamentary procedures competition at the 2015 National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, CA. This marks the 10th time in 10 years the Ryan team has advanced to the national competition.

This year's winning team includes: Licett Almaraz, Ayat Babiker, Reid Clibbens, Stacy Perez, Natalee Sargent, Yessica Tellez, Jacquenlyn Willis and Thomas Wilson.

In addition, two members earned individual recognition. From 367 participants, Natalee Sargent finished eighth and Reid Clibbens earned 10th place in the parliamentary procedure testing concepts.

The BPA Parliamentary Procedures competition is two-fold, requiring students to sit for a written exam that covers the rules and procedures that govern meetings. Then, judges present the team a scenario and they are required to conduct a meeting on the spot with only 15-minutes of preparation.

The team is coached by Helen Hayes, CTE instructor, and Richard Hayes, volunteer/local attorney.

GUYER HIGH

Guyer Financial Analyst team takes third at national competition

The Guyer High School Business Professionals of America (BPA) Financial Analyst Team placed third in the financial analyst competition at the 2015 National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, CA.

Members of the award-winning team include: Brady Byrd, Kira Griffiths, Christina Iskandarani and Douglas Palmer.

The competition requires teams to make decisions and recommendations using financial reports and prepare reports. They determine trends, or make projections, or prepare budgets based upon a case study, and then present findings to a panel of judges.

Two students also qualified to compete in individual events at the national conference and they included Max Malone in Human Resource Management and Kira Griffiths in Prepared Speech.

Guyer High's BPA sponsor is Donna Lowe, a business teacher at the campus.

GUYER HIGH SCHOOL

Eliza Price named to TASSP All-State Academic Excellence Team

Guyer High School senior Eliza Price has been named to the Texas Association of Secondary School Principal's All-State Academic Excellence Team, an honor annually bestowed upon only 50 students from across the state.

Students for the academic team were selected from nominations made by high school principals based on SAT or ACT scores, academic grade point averages, and pursuits of advanced diplomas. Other evidence of exceptional academic abilities were also taken into consideration. Eliza, one of just three National Merit semifinalists at Denton ISD, then wrote a brief essay to complete her application.

For her selection, Eliza will be awarded a \$500 scholarship and be recognized at the TASSP Summer Workshop in Austin on June 11.

Eliza is just one of 50 total students recognized with her selection to the team, and only 20 of those students were awarded with \$500 scholarships, the highest honor available.

RYAN HIGH SCHOOL

Ryan swimmer finishes among state's best

Ryan High School swimmer Austin Pyrch represented Denton ISD and Ryan High at the UIL Class 6A State Swimming and Diving Championships at the University of Texas at Austin in February.

Ryan finished with the fourth-best qualifying team for the state meet and finished among the best 15 swimmers in the state in his event, the 50-meter freestyle. He finished the season in consideration for All-America high school swimming status.

DENTON ISD

District track and field athletes place among state's best

Denton ISD's three comprehensive high schools recently qualified athletes to compete at the UIL Class 6A and 5A State Track and Field Championships at the University of Texas at Austin earlier this month.

Denton High qualified a relay team for the 5A state meet, while Guyer and Ryan qualified individuals. And while none of the athletes medaled, they finished among the top eight teams or individuals in the state and represented the district with class.

The state track and field qualifiers included:

Denton High School

4x100-meter relay team

(Juan Campos, Bradley Devore, Cesar Esquivel, Emonnie Miller, Joshua Napier and Chris Miller)

Justin Schuff is the head boys track coach at Denton High, while Lonnie Teagle is the relay coach.

Guyer High

Ethan Toy finished fourth in the long jump. Russ Phillips is the head boys track coach at Guyer High.

Ryan High

Avery Stuchell finished fourth in the pole vault. Jayme Kiraly is the head girls track coach at Ryan High.