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HOMESTEAD FBLA SHINES AT THE 2020 BAY SECTION LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Cupertino, California – Homestead High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) started the new year with a victory at the 2020 Bay Section Leadership Conference (BSLC). Hosted at Westmoor High School, in Daly City, CA, on February 8, 2020, the Bay Section Leadership Conference is an annual competition where students from 12 high schools and 1 middle school across the Bay Area display their knowledge of business topics through competing in areas such as management, technology, and public speaking. Over 100 Homestead students competed, 83 students placed in the top 10 and a total of 15 first places out of 38 competitions. 67 Homestead students qualified to compete at the State Leadership Conference which will be held in Ontario, CA from April 23-26.

Homestead FBLA also congratulates Arnuv Tandon, who was voted onto the 2020-2021 Bay Section officer team as Vice-President of Outreach.

VP of Written Competitions, Sruthi Rayaprolu, expresses her gratitude: “My competitors are such an inspiration to me. I am beyond proud of all the work they put into Bay Section. I am thrilled to say that this is the first time in several years where every single written competition not only placed at Bay Section but all but one competitions are advancing to the state level to compete at the State Leadership Conference. This could not have been done without the support of all the wonderful mentors who put in hours into helping the competitors, the entire officer team, and most importantly the advisers. I cannot wait for what our competitors will do next and I am looking forward to States!”

The conference runs on a point system where first place winners receive 10 points, second place receives 9 points, and all the consecutive places after receive a point decrease up to tenth place. This year, in comparison to the other competitive high schools, Henry M. Gunn High School received 158 points, Dougherty Valley High School received 188 points, Lynbrook High School received 195 points, and Cupertino High School received 247 points. For the 23rd consecutive year, Homestead High School placed 1st in sweepstakes earning an astonishing 551 points and advancing to the State Leadership Conference in Ontario, CA.

Homestead FBLA attributes its continued success to all the advisers, mentors, and officers who dedicated their time and effort toward helping Homestead competitors prepare. We sincerely thank the following: advisers Helen Carlson, Byron Lee, and Graeme Logie; mentors Rita Allen, Randy Berner, Nadav Bronicki, Noa Bronicki, Elizabeth Chien, Esther Heller, Braden Holstege, Navaneet Kadaba, Han Lee, Nathan Lee, Karen Li, Nancy Liao, Gene Longinetti, Kelly Mao, Soham Pardeshi, Christina Park, Mark Sagherian, Aria Srinivasan, Alissa Song, Arnuv Tandon, Shannon Vakili, Kary Wang, Osman Wong, Laeticia Yang, and Gloria Zhang; and competitions officers Mayuri Hebbar, Raj Raghulan, Sruthi Rayaprolu, Samrudh Shenoy, and Rohan Zamvar.



The following is a list of Homestead's placings:

* is an indication that the competitor qualified for the State Leadership Conference

<p>ACCOUNTING I (Top 6) 1st Place- Calix Tang* 2nd Place- Emma Lu* 3rd Place- Lior Kishinevsky* 5th Place- Sakchhi Thapa* 6th Place- Jessica Li* 7th Place- Ananya Srivatsan</p> <p>ACCOUNTING II (Top 6) 1st Place- Justin Truong* 3rd Place- Elizabeth Chien* 4th Place- Rachel Choy* 6th Place- Jessica Li* 8th Place- Sakchhi Thapa</p> <p>AGRIBUSINESS (Top 6) 5th Place- Aaditya Patel*</p> <p>BROADCAST JOURNALISM (Top 2) 1st Place- Jennifer Lee, Sydney Kim, Shawheen Wingrove*</p> <p>BUSINESS CALCULATIONS (Top 6) 1st Place- Hansel Desouza* 3rd Place- David Zhao* 5th- Brianna Wang*</p> <p>BUSINESS COMMUNICATION (Top 6) 1st Place- Tiffany Yu* 2nd Place- Alexander Choi* 6th Place- Rohan Zamvar* 7th Place- Joseph Huang</p> <p>BUSINESS LAW (Top 7 Wildcard) 2nd Place- Cynthia Wang* 3rd Place- Michael Chang* 4th Place- Hansel Desouza* 5th Place- Julie Wan* 6th Place- David Zhao* 7th Place- Adithi Sumitran*</p> <p>COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (Top 5) 5th Place- Sophie Lin* 6th Place- Mattias Larsson</p> <p>COMPUTER PROBLEM SOLVING (Top 6) 6th Place- Ayush Satyavarpu*</p>	<p>IMPROMPTU SPEAKING (Top 2) 8th Place- Milan Krishnappa</p> <p>INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT (Top 6) 1st Place- Cynthia Wang* 2nd Place- Elizabeth Chien* 3rd Place- Allison Ferguson*</p> <p>INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS (Top 6) 2nd Place- Andria Cao* 5th Place- Brianna Wang* 6th Place- Alan Jian* 8th Place- Hemal Kurani 10th Place- Preethi Rayaprolu</p> <p>INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS COMMUNICATION (Top 6) 4th Place- Jasmine Yuan* 6th Place- Melody Shane*</p> <p>INTRO TO BUSINESS PROCEDURES (Top 6) 1st Place- Martin Wu* 2nd Place- Valerie Xu* 3rd Place- Melody Shane* 10th Place- Kaustubh Harnoor</p> <p>INTRODUCTION TO FBLA (Top 7 Wildcard) 3rd Place- Abigail Berwick* 4th Place- Ishita Srivatsan* 6th Place- Michelle Chen* 7th Place- Isabella Fichtenholtz*</p> <p>INTRO TO FINANCIAL MATH (Top 6) 4th Place- Alan Jian* 5th Place- Aditya Pandian* 6th Place- Sophie Lin* 7th Place- Clara Hinds</p> <p>INTRO TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (Top 6) 1st Place- Pranav Kulkarni* 5th Place- Stephanie Hsing* 6th Place- Joshua Choi* 7th Place- Ethan Ling</p> <p>INTRO TO PUBLIC SPEAKING (Top 2) 1st Place- Bhuvika Kedia*</p>
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<p>CREED (First Place) 1st Place- Tishani Weerasuriya*</p> <p>CYBER SECURITY (Top 6) 3rd Place- Brian Sun* 4th Place- Rathik Murtinty* 9th Place- Anush Anand</p> <p>DATABASE DESIGN & APPLICATIONS (Top 5) 1st Place- Harinandan Kotamsetti* 2nd Place- Arnav Kulkarni*</p> <p>ECONOMICS (Top 7) 3rd Place- Hanjune Lee* 4th Place- Gloria Zhang*</p> <p>ENTREPRENEURSHIP (Top 6) 1st Place- Mayuri Hebbbar, Naysha Kola, Gloria Zhang*</p> <p>FUTURE BUSINESS LEADER (Top 6) 1st Place- Teresa Yang* 4th Place- Darren Hsing*</p> <p>GLOBAL BUSINESS (Top 6) 2nd Place- Roma Bedekar, Atharv Patil, Sruthi Rayaprolu*</p> <p>HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION (Top 6) 6th Place- William Meng*</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT (Top 6) 1st Place- Taner Karaaslan, Leor Porat, Rohan Zamvar*</p>	<p>JOB INTERVIEW (Top 2) 8th Place- Rominna Sharifi</p> <p>MANAGEMENT DECISION MAKING (Top 6) 5th Place- Lior Kishinevsky, Aryaa Sapkota, Nadya Svidzerskaya*</p> <p>MARKETING (Top 6) 3rd Place- Smera Doshi, Sara Tatke, Teresa Yang*</p> <p>PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE (Top 3) 2nd Place- Allison Fergason, Lydia Huang, Lynn Huang, Skyla Ma, Kristen Lee*</p> <p>PERSONAL FINANCE (Top 6) 6th Place- Calix Tang* 8th Place- Akshat Jain*</p> <p>PUBLIC SPEAKING (Top 2) 2nd Place- Pooja Kotha*</p> <p>SALE PRESENTATION (Top 2) 2nd Place- Aditya Hariharan*</p> <p>SECURITIES & INVESTMENTS (Top 6) 7th Place- Venkatesh Rangarajan</p> <p>SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT MANAGEMENT (Top 6) 1st Place- Maximiliano Fermin, Daniel Sung, Erin Yoon*</p> <p>SPREADSHEET APPLICATIONS (Top 5) 5th Place- Junghwa Yoo*</p>
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