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# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON REPORT

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## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

**PIONEER AWARDS NIGHT.** Pioneer students received a variety of awards at the recognition program held May 5 in the Pioneer Arena. In addition to many prestigious awards, Ellen Dailey, a senior from Crestline, received the Byron H. Carmean Award. Dailey is a student in the Early Childhood Education Program and is the daughter of Jared and Jill Dailey. Other nominees included MacKenzie Cass (Medical Technologies, Northmor); Adam Cunningham (Performing Arts, Plymouth); Brandy Mizer (Exercise Science, Willard); and Tanner Zaebst (Welding, Buckeye Central).

**PIONEER SCHOLARSHIPS TOTAL OVER 1.5 MILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR.** Pioneer students have garnered scholarships totaling \$1,615,915 thus far. Please see the attached list of winners.

**PIONEER SELECTS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH.** Senior Tanner Zaebst (Welding, Buckeye Central) and Junior Jacob Landis (Precision Machining, Crestview) were selected as April Students of the Month. Zaebst is the son of Anessa Zaebst and Landis is the son of Jacob and Melanie Landis.

**PIONEER STUDENTS PLACE AT SkillsUSA COMPETITION.** Thirty-eight Pioneer students participated in the 64th Annual SkillsUSA Ohio Contest was held last month. Gold medalist Trevor Kegley (Lucas) will be representing Ohio at the National SkillsUSA competition in June in Louisville, Kentucky, in Criminal Justice. Earning a silver medal was Marcus Ricker for Power Equipment Technology (Bucyrus). Bronze medalists included Justin Showman (Buckeye Central) for Diesel Equipment Technology and the team of Lesly Camacho (Willard); Christian Duffey (Ontario); Chandler Holbrook (Crestview); Ethan Kershner (Ontario); and Trayce Wilcox (Ontario) for Performing Arts.

Pioneer was also recognized as a SkillsUSA Quality Chapter and won the Silver Level Distinction of the SkillsUSA Chapter of Excellence Award. Accepting these chapter-wide awards was Pioneer's State Delegate Team of Jessica Beamer (Willard); Ellisa Lewis (Ontario); Dustin McBride (Plymouth); and Sabrina Oney (Plymouth).

**CRESTLINE STUDENTS WIN AT FCCLA STATE COMPETITION.** Crestline FCCLA students won medals early in the month at the FCCLA State Competition. Winning a silver medal for second place in the junior division for Environmental Ambassador was Cameron Brannan, who is a National Qualifier. Leah Bruce, Brynn Cheney and Ivy Stewart won a silver medal for their Chapter Service Project Display. Alec Sipes and Brison Wollard won a silver medal for the Chapter Service Project Portfolio. Erin McKenna won a silver medal for Career Investigation and Colin Ailstock won a silver medal for Illustrated Talk. Finally, Wollard also won a bronze medal for Recycle and Redesign.

**STUDENTS PLACE AT BPA NATIONALS IN BOSTON.** The Business Professionals of America National Leadership Conference was held in Boston, Massachusetts from May 4-9. Wes Burson, a Senior IT Support student from Ontario, placed 6th out of approximately 50 students in Network Administration with Windows. Micheal Barber, a Junior IT Support student from Wynford, placed 19th out of approximately 50 students in PC Repair & Troubleshooting. Zacharie Barnhart, Junior Webpage, and Stephen Horning, Junior IT Support, both from Galion, participated in the BPA Leadership Academy and will be able to bring back ideas and skills to improve BPA and build leadership within their classes.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS, CONT'D

**FLORICULTURE TEAM SECOND IN STATE.** The Pioneer Floriculture Team recently placed second in the state competition. Senior Alexsis Longden (Crestview) placed 9th and Junior Alexis Ballash (Lexington) placed 10th. Shelby juniors Cheyenne Burton and Macie Pry both placed in the top 20.

**POWER EQUIPMENT TEAM PLACES IN TOP 20.** The following students placed in the Top 20 at the State FFA Outdoor Power Equipment Competition: Shelby juniors Kendall Adkinson (Welding), Josh Campbell (Precision Machining) and Alex Myers (Power Equipment).

**SHELBY FCCLA HOSTS COLOR RUN FOR AUTISM.** A 5K Color run/walk for Autism was hosted by Shelby High School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members. Karli Ingle and Ellie Korbas spearheaded the event. Both are juniors at Shelby. April was National Autism Awareness month and the FCCLA chapter teamed up with JCPenney's of Ontario to hold the event. As the participants ran or walked the 3.1 mile course they were greeted with Holi Color powder that was thrown at the runners. Over \$1,000 was raised by the 5K event.

### STUDENTS EARN CERTIFICATIONS IN HOSPITALITY AND CULINARY.

The following Hospitality students earned their First Aid/CPR/AED 2-year certification: From Willard: Rebecca Cannon and Graciela Velasquez. From Mansfield: Christopher Barretta. From Lexington: Olivia Stemple. From Galion: Kawal Patel.

The following Culinary Arts juniors have earned ServSafe Food Manager through the National Restaurant Association, 5-year certification: From Ontario: Jared Gallagher. From Colonel Crawford: Kendyl Guinther. From Shelby: Alissa Katzenbach. From Crestview: Lauren Cook.

The following Culinary Arts juniors have earned ServSafe Food Allergen, 3-year certification: From Shelby, Tristan Bailey, Audrey Dlesk, Taylor Duncan and Alissa Katzenbach. From Plymouth: Hannah Barber. From Willard: Mia Barton and Marrissa Cruz. From Ontario: Cassandra Beck, Jared Gallagher and Olivia Reeder. From Crestview: Lauren Cook and Austin Noble. From Colonel Crawford: Kendyl Guinther. From Galion: Devin Hill. From Crestline: Zoie Kachermeyer. From Bucyrus: Baileigh Lauthers. From Lexington: Georgia Payne. From Buckeye Central: Hannah Paynter. From Madison: Megan Price.

**MEAT JUDGING TEAM FIRST IN STATE.** The Meat Judging Team of Colt Johnson (3rd, Colonel Crawford); Carter Kessler (7th, Shelby); Colten Felver (9th, South Central); and Maria Harstine (20th, Wynford) placed in the Top 20 individually, with the team as a whole reigning as State Champions finishing first out of 23 teams. They will move on to the National FFA Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana, in October.

In mid-April, the Food Science Program hosted the Pioneer Invitational FFA Meats Judging Contest. Nine schools participated and Pioneer's team placed first. Individual placers were Johnson, 1st; Felver, 4th; Harstine, 11th; and Austin Savage (Lexington) was 20th.