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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 3 at the Pioneer Arena. In addition to many prestigious awards, Christina Russell, a senior from Shelby, received the Byron H. Carmean Award. Russell is a student in the Early Childhood Education Program. Other nominees included Samantha Weithman (Health Academy, Colonel Crawford) and Misty Teerman (Exercise Science, Galion). Please see the attached list for other award winners.

PIONEER SCHOLARSHIPS TOTAL NEARLY \$600,000 THIS YEAR. Pioneer students have garnered scholarships totaling \$588,480 thus far. Please see the attached list of winners. CONGRATULATIONS!

PIONEER STUDENTS PLACE AT SkillsUSA COMPETITION. Five Pioneer students received gold medals and five received bronze medals at the SkillsUSA state championship competition held in Columbus on April 27 and 28. This event was a showcase for career and technical education students across the state. Placing first for Pioneer was Crayton Lariscy, a senior from Crestview, in Masonry. Precision Machining Senior Barry Manley (Plymouth) received a gold in Related Technical Math. Also receiving gold medals was the team of Junior Brandy Sifferlin (Shelby, Exercise Science), Senior Andrew Spohn (Lucas, Carpentry) and Junior Sheridan Stall (Galion, Exercise Science) for Community Service. These students will represent Ohio at the National SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City on June 23-27.

Pioneer's Health Occupations Knowledge Bowl placed third, winning a bronze medal. The team consisted of the following students from the Health Academy: Jonah Eby (Junior, Crestview), Cassandra LaBove (Senior, Plymouth), Hunter Snyder (Senior, Galion), Paige Stover (Junior, Lexington), and Samantha Weithman (Senior, Colonel Crawford).

PIONEER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH. Alicia Ditty and Luke Foley were chosen as May Students of the Month. Ditty is a senior in the Exercise Science/Sports Medicine Program and is the daughter of Gary and Lynda Ditty. She was nominated by her English Language Arts teacher, Rene Phillips. Foley is a senior from Shelby and is in the IT Support Program. He was nominated by his lab teacher, Donnie Perry, and is the son of Jon Foley and Shannon Foley.

HSTW AWARD OF EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT. Sixteen Pioneer students received the High Schools That Work Award of Educational Achievement after taking the HSTW Assessment. This award signifies that these students are ready for employment and/or postsecondary studies. They have demonstrated their potential to succeed by meeting rigorous reading, math and science goals; completing their concentration in a career technical field, math, science, or the humanities; and by completing the HSTS recommended academic course of study. These students include the following: Gabrielle Barker (Graphic Arts, Shelby); Tyler Bartlett (Culinary Arts, Lexington); Andrew Beach (Auto Tech, Galion); Tyler Bowling (Precision Machining, Shelby); Cassandra Tackett (Med Tech, Willard); Olivia Carothers (Med Tech, Shelby); Alicia Ditty (Exercise Science, Ontario); Alyssa Fry (Exercise Science, Northmor); Tara Hanuscin (Med Tech, Shelby); Austin Hughes (CAD, Plymouth); Barry Manley (Precision Machining, Plymouth); Brianna Myers (Cosmetology, Lucas); Alexander Page (IT Support, Crestline); Dale Spoerr (Industrial Diesel, Lucas); Jacob Stoner (IT Support, Shelby); and Elizabeth Wirick (Web Page, Galion).

STUDENT SELECTED STATE FCCLA OFFICER. Crestline student Blake Miller was inducted as a 2012-2013 Ohio FCCLA State Officer during the State Leadership Conference in September. He will serve as the Ohio Vice President of Membership. Adviser Kris Bruce will serve as an Ohio FCCLA State Officer Adviser and as a member of the State Executive Council Advisers' Board. Miller is a freshman at Crestline High School and is a four-year member of the FCCLA as a satellite of Pioneer. He and his FCCLA teammate Kayley Makeever will be competing in Florida in July in the Life Planning competition. They are currently collaborating with the Crawford County Humane Society to host a 5K run/walk to raise funds and awareness for the society.

COLONEL CRAWFOARD FFA RECEIVES AWARDS AT STATE CONVENTION. Colonel Crawford students attended the State FFA Convention on May 3-4. The chapter was recognized for donations to Children's Hospital and the CROP/Church World Services Organization. Students participated in many activities and received the following awards: Kendra Hudson, gold pin for her secretary's book; Jessica Millenbaugh, gold pin for her reporter's book; and Ashley Geiger, gold pin for her treasurer's book. Students receiving their state degrees included Hudson, Jesse Sellman, and Jessica Lohr.

PIONEER STUDENTS CHOSEN AS MINDSPROUTS FINALISTS FOR THE RENAISSANCE. The following Pioneer students were selected by the Renaissance for inclusion in their MindSprouts Showcase: Jessica Young (Cosmetology, Shelby); Deon Taylor (Performing Arts, ECOT); and Samantha Otten (Performing Arts, Northmor). Their pieces were adapted for the stage on May 10.