

PENNSYLVANIA FBLA SETS NEW STATE RECORD WITH 66 NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AWARD WINNERS

Wow! Amazing! Impressive! Pennsylvania FBLA members once again set a new state record for the most number of award winners at the 2009 National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California. Taking home 66 awards on NLC awards night, Pennsylvania members once again showed that good teaching, good advising, and strong motivation are a successful formula for our state.

Pennsylvania FBLA's 66 awards were the most ever for our state—eclipsing our previous record of 54 award winners.

In addition, Justin Coleman from Hatboro-Horsham High School was elected National Eastern Region Vice President for the 2009-2010 year. Justin is Pennsylvania FBLA's first state officer in numerous years.

The 2009 National Leadership Conference Award Winners are:

First Place:

Accounting I: James Sun, Wissahickon High School (20)

Introduction to Business Communication: Karen Jin, Bayard Rustin High School (9)

Marketing: Shika Saxena, Freedom High School (28)

Network Design: Cyrus Boyce/Rob Verderame, Abington High School (20)

Technology Concepts: Ishaan Gulrajani, Downingtown West High School (9)

First Place: State with Most Business Achievement Award Winners--Eastern Region, Pennsylvania

First Place: State Recruitment of Chapters—Eastern Region, Pennsylvania--25 new/reactivated chapters

First Place: Largest State Chapter Membership—Eastern Region, Pennsylvania--13,482 members

First Place: Largest Increase in State Chapter Membership—Eastern Region, Pennsylvania--328 members

First Place: Largest Local Chapter Membership—Eastern Region, Hazleton Area High School--467 members (16)

Second Place:

Business Procedures: Brandon Mustin, Wissahickon High School (20)

Desktop Application Programming: Michael Nazario, Hershey High School (15)

Digital Video Production: Jenna Hludzik/David Craig/John Yang, Hazleton Area High School (16)

FBLA Principles and Procedures: Emily Komar, Western Wayne High School (22)

Impromptu Speaking: Thais Ridgeway, Bishop McDevitt High School (15)

Introduction to Business: Chris Jordan, Montrose High School (27)

Personal Finance: Natasha Seelam, Downingtown West High School (9)

Second Place: Market Share Award—Eastern Region, Serra Catholic High School (11)

Third Place:

Accounting I: Linda Gao, Wissahickon High School (20)

Business Communication: Lisa Xu, Bayard Rustin High School (9)

Computer Problem Solving: Jesse Taylor, Abington High School (20)
FBLA Principles and Procedures: Raphael Ingaglio, Western Wayne High School (22)
Job Interview: Sarah Wiest, Spring Grove Area High School (6)
Management Decision Making: Ben Olsho/Ryan Strauss/Jeff Marks, Upper Dublin High School (20)
Partnership with Business Project: Brett Braley/Elijah Barefoot/Carissa Bowser, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)
Web Site Development: John Siepierski/Colin Ulin, Bradford Area High School (1)

Fourth Place:

Business Ethics: Andrew Koch/Matt Hess/Dominic D’Ambrosio, Central Columbia High School (7)
Business Financial Plan: Kaitlyn Russell/Lucus McMurtrie, Bradford Area High School (1)
Business Plan: Anthony Gardill/Nick Green, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)
Business Presentation: Chloe Karnick/Renee Reeke/Tatiana Samson, Western Wayne High School (22)
Cyber Security: Alex Constantino, Fox Chapel Area High School (13)
Electronic Career Portfolio: Sara Gaballa, Mansfield J/S High School (7)
Introduction to Technology Concepts: William Seed, Downingtown West High School (9)
Technology Concepts: Andrew Sauber, Wissahickon High School (20)
Virtual Business Challenge: Cortney Rishel/Ian Eisenhauer/Nathan Welker, Jersey Shore Area High School (7)

Fifth Place:

Desktop Publishing: Caitlin Wolford/Megan Vilcek, Homer-Center High School (3)
Entrepreneurship: Rohan Patel/Andy Michniewicz/Brian Fried, Stroudsburg High School (21)
Internet Application Programming: Matt Smith, Towanda High School (27)
Local Chapter Annual Business Report: Sayre Area High School (27)
Introduction to Technology Concepts: Shaun Howard, Western Wayne High School (22)
Public Speaking II: Marci Crawford, Claysburg-Kimmel High School (5)
Web Site Development: Zachary Gosling/Andrew Hagy/Dominic Lyate, Cocalico High School (18)

Sixth Place:

American Enterprise Project: Nick Green/Fallon Shaffer, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)
Business Calculations: Doug Komandt, Franklin Regional High School (2)
Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure: Kristen Lopatofsky, Western Wayne High School (22)
Local Chapter Annual Business Report: Chestnut Ridge High School (17)
Networking Concepts: Craig Palermo, Downingtown West High School (9)
Parliamentary Procedure: Staci Beegle/Jeremy Feight/Darcie Shaffer/Fallon Shaffer/Seth Shaffer, Chestnut Ride High School (17)

Seventh Place:

Accounting I: Dale Peterson, Fox Chapel High School (13)
Database Design and Applications: Joseph Seborowski, Neshaminy High School (12)
Digital Video Production: Luke Brady/Kyle Engel, Jersey Shore Area High School (7)
Economics: Katie Hough, West Allegheny High School (10)
Parliamentary Procedure: Adam Folk/Jenny Shi/Laura O’Donnell/Kelsey Diltz, Central Columbia high School (7)
Public Speaking I: Sara Coons, Western Wayne High School (22)

Eighth Place:

Business Presentation: Samuel Dahmer/Jonathan O’Hora/Alessandra Orehek, Western Wayne High School (22)

Computer Problem Solving: Ian Swanson, Hollidaysburg High School (5)

Cyber Security: Matthew Hanni, Easton Area High School (28)

Emerging Business Issues: Neha Nagpal/ Noah Sterngold/Kelsea Toseki, Muncy J/S High School (7)

Ninth Place:

Business Calculations: Ralph Beishline, Southern Columbia High School (7)

Business Math: Peter Shi, Parkland High School (28)

Client Service: Derek Faix, West Allegheny High School (10)

Community Service Project: Darcie Shaffer/Stacie Beegle, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)

Economics: Craig Fisher, Scranton High School (22)

Management Information Systems: Staci Matt/Allie Mikels/Deborah Pacella, Stroudsburg High School (21)

Network Design: Collin Thomas/Matthew Trautman, Forbes Road CTC (11)

Sports Management: Brian Kamelhar, Unionville High School (9)

Virtual Business Challenge: Jeremy Madden, Jersey Shore Area High School (7)

Tenth Place:

Business Communication: Erica Motter, Jersey Shore Area High School (7)

Business Ethics: Michael Ziebel/Philip Carlitz/Nishant Dani, Council Rock North High School (12)

Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure: Dan Schlessinger, Council Rock North High School (12)

Personal Finance: Nicholas Rapak, Hatboro-Horsham High School (20)

Special Recognition:

Who’s Who in FBLA: James Biery, Sayre Area J/S High School (27)

Outstanding Adviser: Derek Selleck, Sayre Area J/S High School (27)

Distinguished Business Leader Scholarships:

Nick Green, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)

Fallon Shaffer, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)

Adviser Wall of Fame:

Kathleen Turner, retired adviser, Chestnut Ridge High School (17)