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80 Lamar CISD Students Compete at National TSA Conference

July 17, 2023 – Rosenberg, Texas – This summer, more than 80 students from 10 different campuses across Lamar CISD competed at the National Technology Student Association (TSA) Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. These students earned their spot by mastering challenges at the Texas TSA Contest back in April.

During the national conference, approximately 7,500 students from across the country, Germany, and Turkey attended and competed in various events that challenged students' design skills and creative thinking in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields.

"TSA allows students to explore their creativity and follow the design process to compete in a variety of events," TSA Advisor Kristin Rausch said. "Our students in Lamar CISD are extremely talented and should be commended for their dedication and ingenuity. In order to earn the right to compete on the National level, they had to advance from Regionals and State, both of which are also very competitive."

In the face of fierce competition, more than half of our student participants received recognition. We are honored to celebrate the following students, campuses, and advisors who placed:

Briscoe Junior High School, Advisor *Heath Hayner*

- 7th place in Forensic Technology: Brielle White and Isabella Payne

Foster High School, Advisor *Karen Bodhi*

- 3rd place in Forensic Science: Isabella Nguyen and Romina Rincon-Cruz

George Ranch High School, Advisor *Johnathan Murray*

- 1st place in Architectural Design: Camdyn Crawford, Quintin Fernandez, Jake Miller, and Alexis Prevette
- 1st place in Geospatial Technology: Quintin Fernandez, James Lochbichler, and Alexis Prevette
- 8th place in Flight Endurance: Joseph Le
- 9th place in Chapter Team: Macy Dang, Kishen Misra, Alexis Prevette, Ryan Skinner, Jiaying Song, and Adam Vivas

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ABOUT LAMAR CISD

As one of the fastest growing districts in Texas, Lamar CISD encompasses 385 miles in Fort Bend County. The District services more than 42,000 students at nearly 50 campuses throughout 15 municipalities, which include Beasley, Fairchilds ETJ, Fulshear, Houston ETJ, Katy, Kendleton, Missouri City ETJ, Orchard ETJ, Pleak, Richmond, Rosenberg, Simonton, Sugar Land, Thompsons, and Weston Lakes.

Lamar Consolidated High School, Advisor *Kristin Rausch*

- 2nd place in Future Technology Teacher: Bailee Byrd
- 3rd place in Drone/ Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV): James Bennett, Chase Cheng, Mateo Rivera, Joshua Thomas, and Kendrick Turcios
- 7th place in Fashion Design: Bailee Byrd, Sophia Dalton, Aiden Moody, and Jackson Moten
- 8th place in Technology Problem Solving: Xandre Graca and Joshua Thomas

Leaman Junior High School, Advisor *Jarred Williams*

- 2nd place in Video Game Design: Jeffrey Rapacki, Grant Nowotny, Max Morafiallos, Jose Bernal, Danny Tiffan, and Vaishnav Abburi
- 3rd place in Coding: Vaishnav Abburi and Grant Nowotny
- 6th place in Challenging Technology Issues: Gbemi Ayuba and Precious Osaghae
- 7th place in Medical Technology: Natalia Pereira, Ava Gallien, and Jose Bernal

Randle High School, Advisor *Brian Sonnier*

- 3rd place in Virtual Reality: Anish Jana, Amar Lakhani, Layla Lawhern, and Alishba Shaikh

Reading Junior High School, Advisors *Kristi and Johnathan Murray*

- 10th place in Off the Grid: Luke Brock, David Flores, and Charles Haldeman

To view photos from the event, please click [HERE](#).

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