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St. Cloud High FCCLA Students Recognized For Outstanding Skills In National Competition

Eleven St. Cloud High students, under the direction of their Advisor Denise Peeler, competed in one of 28 national STAR events (Students Taking Action with Recognition) at Family, Career and Community Leaders of America's (FCCLA) 2011 National Leadership Conference. Their medals were presented at a recognition session honoring all participants at the Anaheim Convention Center on Thursday, July 14. The following St. Cloud High students received medals in the following categories:

Gold medals:

Rachel Smith – Job Interview for PreK Teacher

Ryan Longson and Julie Holstrum – National Program Student Body

Haley Shives and Madison Griffis – Life Event Planning for Best Buddies Prom

Elizabeth Weretka and Ciara Miller – Interpersonal Communications: Random Acts of Kindness

Melissa Bianchi and Ana Woodrum – Chapter Showcase Display

Silver medals:

Nicole Roeseler and Rosa Cervantes – Chapter Showcase Manual

More than 6,300 members, advisers, alumni, and guests from across the nation attended the meeting. Approximately 3,500 students advanced from the local, regional, and state level of STAR events to the national meeting.

Throughout the year, FCCLA members tackle issues such as teen violence prevention, traffic safety, family issues, career exploration, and much more. FCCLA programs and competitions enrich student learning, improve self-esteem, and serve students with a range of ability levels, economic situations, and cultural influences. FCCLA is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. FCCLA has over 190,000 members and over 6,500 chapters. The organization has involved more than ten million youth since its founding in 1945. FCCLA: The Ultimate Leadership Experience is unique among youth organizations because its programs are planned and run by members. It is the only career and technical in-school student organization with the family as its central focus. Participation in national programs and chapter activities helps members become strong leaders in their families, careers, and communities.