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Thomson Middle Wins National FCCLA Awards



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA - Thomson Middle School students competed at the 2019 Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, Cal. held during the summer. Six students brought home three awards, to include two Gold and among the top 10 in the nation.

Congratulations to the following students who placed at nationals:

- Rachel Klein and Meghan Emmott ~ Gold, Environmental Ambassador Junior (pictured left);
- Zoe Babcock and Emma Collins ~ Gold, Life Event Planning Junior (pictured right); and
- Kyle Mixon and Corey Nichols ~ Silver, Food Investigation Junior (pictured below).

Their Thomson Middle School FCCLA advisor is Leigh Barrett.

To advance to the national level, members must first compete and place at the district and state levels. Over 4,700 FCCLA members participate in the national STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) Events. By



competing, members may earn recognition for their proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills and career preparation. Students develop real-world, employable skills through STAR Events, which enhance the classroom experience. The competitions include areas such as Early Childhood Education, Sports Nutrition, Entrepreneurship, Fashion Design, Job Interview and Culinary Arts.

This year's annual conference was the largest conference in FCCLA history, with more than 8,700 advisors, members, alumni and guests. They attended leadership and program trainings, heard national speakers, competed in events, and explored college and career



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opportunities. FCCLA is a 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 175,000 members and more than 5,300 chapters from 50 state associations, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

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