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BMS Wins 18 State Awards at Technology Competition



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Bonaire Middle School's Technology Student Association (TSA) competed in the 48th annual Georgia TSA State Conference held in Athens, Ga. March 11-12, 2010. Eight Bonaire Middle students competed against other middle grade students from all over Georgia in 18 events, and all eight brought home at least one top 10 award. Bonaire students won 10 awards and were finalists in eight other events, winning 18 awards ranging from first to sixth place.

Bonaire Middle students won the following individual awards:

- Michael Gentry - 1st in Flight Challenge and 2nd in Electrical Applications;
- Robin Minter – 2nd in Career Preparation, 5th in Electrical Applications and 8th in Digital Photography;
- Kelly Thompson - 2nd in Flight Challenge;
- Celina Manley - 5th in Technical Drawing;

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- Sara Gladden - 5th in Multimedia Production;
- Olivia Anderson - 6th in Transportation Challenge; and
- Sean Yarber - 6th in Dragster Design.

The following students won team events:

- Olivia Anderson and Celina Manley - 1st in Medical Technology;
- Michael Gentry, Sean Yarber and Alex Swaine - 1st in Electronic Game Design;
- Alex Swaine, Michael Gentry and Sara Gladden - 1st in Systems Control;
- Alex Swaine, Sean Yarber and Sara Gladden - 3rd in Inventions and Innovation;
- Alex Swaine, Robin Minter, and Kelly Thompson - 3rd in Technology Bowl;
- Sean Yarber, Olivia Anderson and Sara Gladden - 3rd in Marine Design;
- Olivia Anderson and Celina Manley - 4th in Engineering Structure; and
- Sean Yarber, Kelli Thompson and Robin Mentor - 5th in Website Design.

Roland Williams, technology teacher, and Vicki Walker, computer teacher, serve as co-advisers of the TSA chapter. Award-winners are pictured: (from left, first row) Sara Gladden, Olivia Anderson, (second row) Robin Minter, Kelly Thompson, Alex Swaine, Michael Gentry, Sean Yarber and Celina Manley.

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