

Business Professionals of America Regionals Held at WRHS

This year's BPA Regionals was held at Wood River High School on Wednesday, Jan 25th. The event hosted 10 area schools and over 180 students. Advisors, Lisa Hoskins, Bill Petzke, Chet, Olson, and Rebecca Duncan organized testing materials, registrations, local judges, a service project, guest speaker, and many other details to provide the students a well-rounded opportunity. Regional vice-president, Brock Olson, headed-up the opening and closing awards session with the chapter vice-president, Nathan Stouffer. Many community and staff volunteers also helped out with the event.

The service project this year was to create Valentine cards for home-bound senior citizens. The project was a huge success and the members made over 70 cards. Guest speaker, Alec Barfield, spoke to students at the community campus about being a business owner. Students participated in events ranging from business topics to information technology and programming.

For the competitive events, this year the number one team moves on to the State Leadership Conference in Boise to compete in March. The first and second place individuals in judged events move on and the top three competitors in non-judged (graded) events move on to State.

Wood River High School had 36 members this year, with 32 participating at Regionals. Twenty members qualified for the State Leadership Conference:

Brock Olson	Quenia Gonzalez
Davey Schrader	Citlalli Villa
Nathan Lambert	Marisol Marquez
Nathan Stouffer	Sophia Bernbaum
Joseph Anderson	Lillian Worst
Kevin Browder	Carina Rangel
Calvin Geissler	Lindsay Browder
Cameron Maxwell	Juana Hurtado
Sean Davitt	Nicole Shardlow
Jake Gorham	
Isaac Loomis	

Students that qualify in their event(s) at State will have the opportunity to attend the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida in May.