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SVHS TSA chapter cleans up at state competition

The Smithson Valley High Technology Students Association (TSA) chapter could have used another bus on its ride home from the recent state competition just to haul its awards.

The SVHS TSA chapter captured 21 “Best in State” awards and 80 entries received “State Blue Ribbons.”

The Ranger technology students also brought home 36 second-place ribbons and eight third-place ribbons during the competition held May 6-8 at the Heart of Texas Fair Complex in Waco.

In all, SVHS had a total of 133 state entries that advanced from the regional competition.

“It was just an awesome day for our TSA program,” said Scott Stoore, SVHS career and technology department chairman. “I couldn’t be more proud of our fine group of young adults. It’s successful experiences like these that give them confidence and will help shape their future.”

Some of the courses at SVHS that helped students excel at state include Computer Applications, Digital Graphics, Multimedia, Photography I and II, Engineering Graphics, and Architectural Graphics.



SVHS freshman Madison Hojnacki said she has never earned an honor this prestigious before capturing a “Best in State” in the Computer Applications Newsletter category.

“I felt like I actually achieved something,” Hojnacki said. “I was very excited, and my parents were very excited for me.”

SVHS senior Chandler Kimble won a “Best in State” in photography.

“I was expecting to do well, but I didn’t know how well,” Kimble said. “It was definitely cool to hear my name called as a state champion. It was also very special to be able to share this with so many other SVHS students who did well.”

The Ranger TSA traveling team consisted of Morgan Walley, chapter president Regan Manning (state finalist in the Information Technology Written Exam and Technology Bowl), Jonathan T. Reagan (state finalist in the Architecture Written Exam, Graphic Solution and Technology Bowl), Jared Huddleston (state finalist in the Science Technology & Engineering Written Exam), Barbara Ramirez (state finalist in the AV / Arts Written Exam), Amber Gregory (Best in State in the Architecture Graphic Solution), Kelsey Phelps, David Kreutler and Phil Stanley.

Smithson Valley High School’s TSA advisors are Stoores, Wendall Lyons, and Chris Nisley.

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IN PHOTO: Pictured are SVHS Technology Students Association (TSA) officers at the state competition held May 6-8 in Waco. (L-r) Johnathan T. Reagan (chapter treasurer), Morgan Walley (who is the state TSA Sergeant at Arms), Regan Manning (chapter president) and Barbara Ramirez (chapter secretary).