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**TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL UIL ACADEMIC TEAM MEMBERS
EARN TOP PLACEMENT DURING RECENT PRACTICE MEET**

Texarkana, TX – Members of the Texas High School University Interscholastic League Academic Team were named First Place overall winner during the recent UIL Practice Meet in Mt. Pleasant on January 7.

Other team awards were given to:

Current Events: Team of Celeste Henderson, Grant Ryden & Alexis Williams – 2nd Place. Coached by Lance Kyles.

Journalism: Team of Jane Bashaw, Blair Bennett, Emily Hoover & Sydney Shepard – 1st Place. Coached by Rebecca Potter.

Literary Criticism: Team of Emily Hoover, Ariel McDonald & Cicely Shannon – 2nd Place. Coached by Anne Burke.

Math/Science: Team of Sandilynn Bullock, Autumn Huckabee, Victoria Johnson, Hannah Klopper, Jonathan Luna, Eric McVay, Allye Prather, Grant Ryden, Dustin Thomas & Sam Vaughn – 3rd Place. Coached by Bob Harris and Lisa Zach.

Social Studies: Team of Brian Escriche, Meagan Hunt, Cicely Shannon & Victor Wedding – 2nd Place. Coached by Chuck Zach.

Speech: Team of Ashley Bolton, Tara Clem, Cari Cunningham, Ndidi Duru, Tracy Henderson, Robert Morris, Paige Oliver, Sherry Phillips, Riden Reiter, Rodrica Smalley & Kelsey Townsend – 1st Place. Coached by Brandi Burrow and Micah McBay.

Spelling & Vocabulary: Team of Cameron Bailey, Abigail O’Gorman & Macy Shirley – 2nd Place. Coached by Monica Washington.

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Individual placements, subjects and coaches from the practice meet are as follows:

Calculator: Dustin Thomas – 3rd Place. Coached by Lisa Zach.

Current Events: Grant Ryden – 2nd Place; Alexis Williams – 3rd Place. Coached by Lance Kyles.

CX Debate: Team of Ashley Bolton & Riden Reiter – 4th Place. Coached by Brandi Burrow.

Editorial Writing: Jane Bashaw – 1st Place; Blair Bennett – 4th Place; Sydney Shepard – 5th Place. Coached by Rebecca Potter.

Feature Writing: Jane Bashaw – 1st Place; Blair Bennett – 4th Place; Sydney Shepard – 5th Place. Coached by Rebecca Potter.

Headline Writing: Sydney Shepard – 1st Place; Emily Hoover – 2nd Place. Coached by Rebecca Potter.

Informative Speaking: Ariel Sandor – 2nd Place. Coached by Brandi Burrow.

L-D Debate: Robert Morris – 1st Place; Paige Oliver – 4th Place. Coached by Brandi Burrow.

Literary Criticism: Emily Hoover – 2nd Place; Cicely Shannon – 3rd Place. Coached by Anne Burke.

Mathematics: Allye Prather – 5th Place (10th Grade Math); Dustin Thomas – 6th Place (10th Grade Math); Jonathan Luna – 5th Place (11th Grade Math). Coached by Lisa Zach.

News Writing: Jane Bashaw – 1st Place; Sydney Shepard – 3rd Place. Coached by Rebecca Potter.

Number Sense: Allye Prather – 3rd Placed (10th Grade Number Sense); Dustin Thomas - 5th Place (10th Grade Number Sense); Jonathan Luna – 6th Place (11th Grade Number Sense). Coached by Lisa Zach.

Persuasive Speaking: Ndidi Duri – 1st Place; Rodrica Smalley – 2nd Place. Coached by Brandi Burrow.

Poetry Interpretation: Tara Clem – 1st Place; Tracy Henderson – 3rd Place; Sherry Phillips – 5th Place. Coached by Micah McBay.

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Prose Interpretation: Cari Cunningham – 1st Place; Kelsey Townsend – 2nd Place. Coached by Micah McBay.

Science: Grant Ryden – 1st Place & TOP Biology Score (12th Grade Science); Hannah Klopper – 5th Grade (10th Grade Science); Jonathan Luna – 2nd Place (11th Grade Science). Coached by Bob Harris.

Social Studies: Cicely Shannon – 2nd Place; Victor Wedding – 4th Place. Coached by Chuck Zach.

Spelling & Vocabulary: Abigail O’Gorman – 6th Place. Coached by Monica Washington.

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