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**TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM  
& COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHY STUDENTS  
TAKE HOME TOP STATE AND NATIONAL AWARDS**

**Texarkana, TX** – Top national and state awards were recently awarded to Texas High School Journalism and Commercial Photography students for their work on the school newspaper, *Tiger Times*, and the *Tiger* yearbook.

During the Interscholastic League Press Conference (ILPC) Convention in Austin, the Texas High School Journalism Department received the Silver Star for their *Tiger Times* newspaper and the 2010 *Tiger* yearbook. This ranking places both publications in the top ten percent statewide. “Publications from throughout Texas were sent to ILPC for critiques and judging,” ILPC Director Jeanne Acton said. “The judges rated the publications and nominated the top newspapers and yearbooks for Stars. We look for superior design, photography, writing and coverage and this year, we saw a lot of that.” Statewide thirty-three yearbooks and twenty-six newspapers were recognized with a Star Award from ILPC.

In addition, seventeen students earned a total of twenty-six individual achievement awards. They are:

Chelsea Albright – Honorable Mention News Feature;  
Natalie Banks – Second Place Sports Page Design;  
Honorable Mention Double Truck Design;  
Kate Beltson – Honorable Mention Portrait Photo;  
Mary Faith Covey – Third Place In-Depth News/Feature Package;  
John Dukes – Third Place General News Photo; Honorable Mention Portrait Photo;  
Allison Fahrni – Honorable Mention Entertainment Feature;  
Marian Hill – Honorable Mention Editorial Writing; Honorable Mention Feature Photo;  
Celeste Henderson – Second Place Sports Page Design;  
Honorable Mention Double Truck Design;  
Emily Hoover – Third Place Editorial Writing;  
Carlye Hudspeth – First Place Feature Writing; Third Place in-Depth News/Feature Package;

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Mackenzie Morrow – Honorable Mention Portrait Photo;  
Ellen Orr – First Place Personal Column; Third Place In-Depth News/Feature Package;  
Honorable Mention In-Depth News/Feature Package;  
Caera Phillips – Honorable Mention Sports Feature Photo;  
Brianna Sellers – Second Place Personal Column;  
Honorable Mention In-Depth News/Feature Package;  
Cicely Shannon – Honorable Mention Sports Feature;  
Duncan Stanley – First Place General News Photo;  
Third Place Feature/Entertainment Page Design;  
Wynne Tidwell – Honorable Mention In-Depth News/Feature Package.

Lastly, the Texas High School Journalism Department received the national Silver Crown Award from Columbia Scholastic Press Association for excellence in scholastic publications for both the on-line newspaper and the yearbook. Publications were judged on writing/editing, design, content, concept, photography, art and graphics.

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