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### **CHARLOTTE HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS STUDENTS COMPETE AT REGIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**



Business Professionals of America is a dynamic youth organization which provides leadership and business opportunities for high school students to prepare them in their selection as they make decisions on their future careers. The skills that students learn through participating in a variety of business experiences are beneficial and will help prepare them for a career in the workforce.

Charlotte High School students put these skills to the test at the Regional 9 Leadership Conference that was held January 19, 2018, at Baker College of Owosso. More than 4,500 students representing approximately 175 schools were competing in regional competitions throughout the state. They competed in many different events ranging from accounting to graphic design to public speaking to interview skills. Events were individual or teams with the participants learning many skills from each.

Coached by advisor Tina VanSyckle, Charlotte was represented at the Regional Leadership Conference with 4 students competing in Intermediate Word Processing, Graphic Design Promotion, Fundamental Word Processing, Basic Office Systems & Procedures, C++ Programming, SQL Database Fundamentals, and PC Servicing & Troubleshooting.

Congratulations to the following students:

Karson Klont: 5th place Basic Office Systems & Procedures

Spencer Lee: 3rd place C++ Programming, 2nd place Business Spelling, 2nd place Computer Programming Concepts, and 1st place SQL Database Fundamentals.

These students are eligible to attend the BPA State Leadership Conference taking place in March at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. The Charlotte BPA Chapter would like to thank Mr. Chad Little for his guidance and leadership in chaperoning the conference.

Business Professionals of America helps young people prepare themselves for business professional careers. They learn a variety of skills such as teamwork, time management, and public speaking. These skills are very beneficial as these bright, young people enter the workforce and help shape the future.