

# Competition SEASON

“**HOSA** has shown me what I want to do in the **medical field.**”

Josalyn Lievers, junior



“**HOSA** has helped me see what I am and am not into **in regards to medicine.**”

Sydney Aikin, junior



**GOGGLES ON** During AP psychology class, junior Piper Bartels competes in a psychology Olympics. In these Olympics, students tried all sorts of tools to help visualize how the human brain works; they even used things like glasses that “flipped” the world upside down. “AP psychology is different from all the other classes. This class looks more into who you are more than other core classes do,” Bartels said. *photo by s. smith*

**MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS** After plenty of hard work, research, and practice, HOSA members thrive at State as they put all their work to the test. Although the competitions were different compared to previous years, the Conifer HOSA program still shone on the rankings. “Even after realizing medicine wasn’t for me, I’m still extremely passionate about the medical field and find it incredibly interesting how HOSA allows me to express that. I feel like I’m doing something good for the community through things like the blood drive,” junior Rosalita Gumina said. *photo courtesy of c. stricker*

**GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS** Exhausted from a long weekend of competitions, DECA state qualifiers senior Jade Van Lennep, sophomore Isabella Dastur, and senior Jaeden Kucera celebrate their victories and prepare for the long drive home. State might not have gone as planned, with few ICDC qualifiers, but the program still gave it their all and arrived there with the most state qualifiers. “I love being part of a community of like-minded students and attending conferences,” senior Jade Van Lennep said. *photo courtesy of a. hall*



**CAP AND GOWN** After making it through Mr. Colborn’s lecture of the day, seniors Hattie Carpenter and Mila Murphy get to enjoy the rest of the AP Environmental class period with a game. It was called the Cap and Gown game and it was one of many hands-on experiences the class did for students to visualize what they were learning in the lectures. “It teaches us methods the government uses to effectively limit pollution and make air quality better for the general public,” Carpenter said. *photo by r. metcalf*

**COURT IS IN SESSION** Despite a late start in the school year, sophomore Annikah Ramsey leads the Mock Trial team to their first competition and the Professionalism Award for their decorum in the courtroom. The team had a lot of catching up to do considering they didn’t know very much going into this club, but they knew enough and spent their weekend in four full trials against 14 other schools. “I decided to start this club because I’m super interested in law for my career. I always thought it would be interesting and fun to learn all this new stuff,” Ramsey said. *photo courtesy of d. benish*

“My favorite part of the AP psych drunken goggles project is helping Alec beat a record time going around, the cups.”



Isabel Jackson, junior



“I think I’ll like sophomore year a lot better because **there’s more freedom** and now I have some experience with high school.”

**E**velyn Westwood, freshman



“I’m excited to **not be a freshman** anymore because so many people look down on you.”

**M**egan Swarengin, freshman



“I’m super excited for my sophomore year! I get to **take new classes**, experience different electives, and meet new teachers that I haven’t met yet.”

**R**evee Denver, freshman



“I’m excited for sophomore year since **I’ll be able to drive.**”

**B**ryce Pouw, freshman