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## **KHSD Teams Take National Honors**

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Congratulations to Frontier High School (FrHS) FFA Light Horse Evaluation team for being named NATIONAL CHAMPIONS at the 90th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. The team was recognized for their undefeated performance in the career development event of Light Horse Evaluation.

The team includes current Frontier students, Joslyn Camp and Macee Stowers, and 2017 Frontier High School graduates Karina Coe and Kara Stark. Each student receives a \$1000 cash award and an additional scholarship. The Light Horse Evaluation Team is coached by Emily Benson. This is Coach Benson's second state title and first national title.

The team competed for two days against 51 other state teams including the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. The contest measures a student's ability to evaluate and rank horses based on breed characteristic, confirmation, and performance. Students are tested on their knowledge of the equine industry by taking a written exam on equine science. Students must also perform a practical veterinarian exam on a live horse, demonstrate public speaking skills through the development of oral reasoning presentations, as well as problem-solving skills by finding a solution to an unknown scenario related to selection, management, nutrition or production.

**Friends and family will meet at Meadows Field to celebrate this accomplishment and welcome the students home on Sunday, October 29, 2017, at 1:00 pm.**

Charisma Arreola from Foothill High School (FHS) is competing today in the "final four" of the National FFA Creed Speaking Contest.

Two KHSD schools, Frontier High School (FrHS) and North High School (NHS), also received their National Chapter 3 Star Recognition during the National FFA Convention.

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