



Bronte FFA Competes! Members of the Bronte FFA program competed at the Concho District FFA LDE Contest Wednesday evening, November 9, 2016. Karissa Cervenka placed first and advanced to the Area 2 LDE Contest in Greenhand Creed Speaking. The Public Relations team of Elexis Sanchez, Cassidy McWright and Kaci Queen placed 2nd and also advanced to the area contest. Elexis Sanchez also placed 8th in Senior Creed Speaking and the Radio Broadcasting team of Elexia Davis, India Chumney and Hunter Hortenstine placed 11th. The Area 2 LDE contest is set for Saturday, November 19, at Howard College in Big Spring.

Lady Horns headed to **State Tourney**

By Coach Moore By the time you read this article, the Bronte Lady Longhorns volleyball team will have made their eleventh state playoff appearance. The first since 2009 and in that year the Lady Longhorns finished as state The runner-up. Lady Longhorns finished with a 32-10 overall record, runners-up in district 7-1A, a silver medal in their own tournament, 6th place in the GOLD bracket of the Nita Vannoy tournament, and a Regional Championship in Region 1-1A after defeating the Water Valley Lady Wildcats in a hard-fought clash to determine the state qualifier. In that match, the Lady Longhorns dropped the first set 16-25 but rallied to finish the match in the next three sets, 28-26; 25-22; 25-17 in a loud, packed, standing room only San Angelo Central High gym. Anyone who was there can attest to the fact that both teams fought hard and the match was intense and exciting!! Whitney Boyd led the team with 12 kills; Karen Davis had 11; Alyssa Sallee and Emily Whitehurst each had six; and Bryton Pearcy added 5. Emily Whitehurst defended the net with 3 solo blocks while Brittany Bedford defended the back row with 24 digs; as did Kacelyn Follis with 21. Cassidy McWright had 17 digs; Emily Davidson had 10; and Berkley Pearcy had 9. Brittany Bedford set up our hitters with 22 assists, and Cassidy McWright had 13.

The night was a total team effort all around, with some very determined, unselfish play.

Each young lady has expressed their feelings of what this opportunity means to them.

#1 Kacelyn Follis Senior-"State is unreal....this is something we've been dreaming of and working for since we could hold a ball. We are so thankful to have a Mighty God that works all things for His glory!"

#2 Karen Davis Senior-"This state bound opportunity means a lot to me because it gives me a chance to show people what God can do and how amazing He is. This is our chance to prove and show people what we are capable of accomplishing together as a team." Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God". Matthew 19:26 "...with man this is impossible but with God all things are possible."

This experience has shown me 10 me, being state-bound is an that through hard work, opportunity full of endless dedication, and faith in God, all

blessings that I get to share with an amazing community here in Bronte, Texas."

#4 Morgan Sallee Senior-"Getting this opportunity to advance to state with my team, gives us the opportunity to share our faith with SO many more people, and I think that this is really what it's all about. Playing for the Lord."

#5 Bryton Pearcy Sophomore-' There's so much emotion going through this journey. We've all worked really hard and we've really earned this. Having so much support from our community, family, and friends is something that will stick with me forever. And having a God loving coach and group of girls that motivate you to do better every day makes it all worth it. The good Lord has blessed us and I couldn't be more thankful for it all."

#6 Emily Davidson Senior-#3 Berkley Pearcy Senior-

things are possible."

Jayden #7 Speary Sophomore- "It's been such an honor to work along-side these girls. I don't know any team more deserving than the Lady Longhorns. The privilege to be a part of this whole experience is something that I will cherish for a lifetime. It's a true blessing.""

#8 Whitney Boyd Senior-"As I watched my sister be a part of multiple successful volleyball teams, I grew up dreaming of going to state in volleyball myself and to believe that it is coming true is unreal. I enjoy being a part of a compassionate, crazy, God seeking team who I could easily call my best friends. We have a certain chemistry meaning no one is able to "tear our playhouse down" and we know that Christ is what holds us together. I am honored to take part in the opportunity to represent Bronte and the past state legends from our community while my childhood dreams turn into reality."

#9 Alyssa Sallee Junior- "After coming back from an ACL injury last year, I couldn't be more thankful to be playing this year, and going all the way to state? Wow! It's like a dream come true. I love my team and I am so proud of us for getting this far. We have worked hard for this opportunity."

#10 Cassidy McWright Sophomore-" This opportunity means so much to us. We worked so hard to get here."

#11 Brittany Bedford Senior-""We have been working for this ever since we were little girls in

P.E. class. This opportunity is a dream come true for me. I am so honored to be a part of the Longhorn volleyball Lady tradition. I am even more honored to be a part of a team who glorifies God with every success. I could not have imagined a better way for my senior season to go."

#12 Emily Whitehurst Senior-"This opportunity means so much to me because it has shown me what can happen when you "be still"" and pray and trust God. I am so excited to be going to state with the girls and coaches that I love, playing a sport that we all love, and I am truly blessed with this opportunity."

#13 Sadie Delacerda Junior-"Getting to take part in this journey is an unbelievable feeling and I can't thank God enough."

#16 Kristen Stilley Sophomore-"No one is tired on the day of victory."

Coach Moore-"The miles together, the memories, and the millions of smiles far outweigh the wins and losses and trophies. It's a time in these precious lives that they will never forget. I am privileged beyond measure to be a tiny part."

RLISD to host **Thanksgiving Meal**

Robert Lee ISD will host their annual Thanksgiving Meal on Tuesday, November 22, from 11 am until 12:30. The public is invited to attend. Please RSVP to Rosa Long at 325-453-4555 by Wednesday, November 16, if you are planning to attend.

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