

Albemarle County School Board
Commendations
January 14, 2010

1. For over twenty years, the Virginia Model United Nations Conference (VAMUN) has been hosted by the International Relations Organization (IRO) at the University of Virginia. In November 2009, Monticello High School students received the most awards since they began participating in the MUN conference.

The following students were awarded verbal commendations:

- **Connor MacDonnell** and **Patrick MacDonnell** who represented Israel on DISEC
- **Sean Knightly** and **Max Hoffman** who represented Japan in ECOFIN
- **Dominic Scerbo** who represented Japan in ESCAP crisis committee

The following student was awarded honorable mention:

- **Joe Genest** who was the Minister of Narcotic Control in the Pakistani Cabinet

The following students were awarded as outstanding delegates:

- **Christine Wener** who was Justice Stephen Breyer on the US Supreme Court
- **Samantha Lin** who was Fritz Bayerlein, head of Nazi Panzer Divisions in the Normandy simulation

2. **Melissa Anderson**, systems coordinator for the School Division, was recognized with the Region 5 Educational Technology Leadership Award during Virginia Tech's Educational Technology Conference. The educational technology leadership awards recognize individuals who demonstrate leadership by assisting school divisions in education technology planning and implementation. Recipients are chosen for their success in helping school divisions improve teaching and learning through the use of instructional media and technology.

3. Monticello High School juniors **Christine Huff** and **Danielle Scott** were awarded the only acting awards in the AA District VHSL Theater Festival. In addition, **Sophia Heinecke**, who is the playwright, was recognized for having the first original script to go to Regionals. The director is **Madeline Michel**.

4. Albemarle High School's **Jeremy Weiss** and **Brandon Blake** received best actor awards from a group of more than 100 at the Virginia Theatre Association competition. **Fay Cunningham** is the director.

5. **Graham Doby** and **Spencer Hadley** were selected to the All-Virginia Jazz Ensemble. There were only 23 students accepted from all of Virginia, and Albemarle High School was one of only three high schools in the state to admit two students to the Ensemble.

6. **Kristie Obrecht**, a teacher at Yancey Elementary School, earned her National Board Certification in Library Media.

7. Sixty-five Albemarle County high school students were selected to the 2010 All District Choir. Only 200 members are selected through an audition process from the entire District which is comprised of 17 high schools. Albemarle County students will comprise one-third of the choir. The following students are being recognized:

Albemarle High School

Aarati Sriram	Tyler McPhillips	Kiera Kelly	Anna Dinwiddie
Krista Edenfield	Joe Kellenberger	Kiersten Lamb	Carol Dougherty
Naomi Miller	Alex Krone	Kimberly Morris	Chelsea Baine
Samantha Shifflett	Kalin Morris	Lindsey Nuckols	Chelsea Reece
Sarah Bergstresser	Daniel Desmond	Naomi Wells	Lizzy Ramey
Katya Van Eersel	Austin Suhler	Peyton James	Mackenzie Jones
Morgan Glennie	Cody Purvis	Halley Gilbert	Maggie Wilson
Callie Murray	Kevin Harris	Julia Laffond	Micaela Miller
Chiaka Chuks	Austi Davies	Amanda Parmiter	Rachael Heeschen
Courtney Fraser	Brittany Conrad	Katie Kellenberger	Veronica O'Brien
Emily Shepherd	Dawn Seto	Madeline Tornrose	
Taylor Gaines	Emily Wicks	Shira Goldeen	
Austin Patterson	Kaylee Yeatman	Aileen Echelberger	

Monticello High School

Emily Gardiner	Sarah Mitchell	Tara Skeen
Stephanie Wright	Clara James	Rachel Hunter
Ella Evans	Emily Freeman	Kendall Gardiner

Western Albemarle

Rachel Marshall