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Students in the Chase County Schools (CCS) Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) program had a successful state convention experience April 4-6 in Omaha.

One individual finished eighth in two divisions, a team took fourth place, and five students received honorable mentions.

Senior Mason Holmes took eighth place in Health Care Administration, out of 270 contestants. He also took eighth place in Parliamentary Procedure, earning him a place as a national qualifier.

National FBLA will be held in Anaheim, Calif., June 27-30.

The Parliamentary Procedure Team of Holmes, Korey Krutsinger, Calen Griffin and Anna Bauerle took fourth place.

In addition, honorable mentions for those in the top four percent of their event went to Anna Bauerle and Maddison Vaverek in Business Communications, 628 contestants; Kelton Fisher in Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure, 65 contestants; Mason Holmes in Personal Finance, 548 contestants, and Korey Krutsinger in Word Processing II, 106 contestants.

FBLA sponsor Sandy O'Neil was happy about the results. "As I was writing down the names, I thought 'Oh, we did pretty good,'" she laughed.

Griffin was elected vice president of the state organization. The CCS junior has been an FBLA member since eighth grade.

His goal as vice president this next year is to move FBLA information out on social media such as Twitter and Facebook.

A full story concerning Griffin's nomination can be found in the April 11 Imperial Republican issue.