

HOMEWOOD-FLOSSMOOR HIGH SCHOOL

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H-F Student to Compete at National NAACP ACT-SO Competition

June 23, 2011 (Flossmoor, Ill.) — Hundreds of high school students competed in April in a regional NAACP's Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO) competition, held at Chicago's Whitney Young High School. On Saturday, June 18, the winners from that event were announced and those who placed "Gold" in the local competition — including a Homewood-Flossmoor High School junior — will be headed to the national event in Los Angeles, Calif., July 20-24.

Homewood-Flossmoor High School had eight students compete in the regional competition. Three of those students received medals: **Kayla Robertson** (Gold) in Music Vocal Contemporary; **Noel Huddleston** (Bronze) in Dance; and **Austin Robinson** (Bronze) in Poetry. Robertson will represent Homewood-Flossmoor at the national competition.

Students who compete in the local and national **ACT-SO** competition can compete in up to three of the following categories: Sciences (Biology/Microbiology; Chemistry/Biochemistry; Computer Science; Earth & Space Sciences; Engineering; Mathematics; Medicine & Health; Physics); Performing Arts (Dance; Dramatics; Music Instrumental Classical; Music Instrumental Contemporary; Music Vocal Classical; Music Vocal Contemporary; Oratory); Humanities (Music Composition; Original Essay; Playwriting; Poetry); Visual Arts (Architecture; Drawing; Film Making; Painting; Photography; Sculpture); and Business (Entrepreneurship). Created by the late Chicago journalist Vernon Jarrett, ACT-SO provides an opportunity for high school students of African or Latino heritage to display their skills and talents. More than 260,000 young people have participated in the program since its inception.

Homewood-Flossmoor High School is a three-time National Blue Ribbon award-winning school, located at 999 Kedzie Avenue in Flossmoor, Ill. For more information on the school, call 708-799-3000 or visit hfhighschool.org.

Homewood-Flossmoor High School is a comprehensive community high school located in the South Suburbs of Chicago. The district serves the villages of Homewood and Flossmoor, and portions of Chicago Heights, Glenwood, Hazel Crest and Olympia Fields.

A tradition of excellence is the cornerstone of H-F — the result of commitment on the part of district residents to the idea of a community high school with high standards for students and staff, and a solid goal of excellence in education.