



2006 NFPW High School Communications Contest National Winners

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Editorial

First Place: Anna K. Hallsell, Bryant, Ark., Bryant High School, "Cure the ignorance virus: abstinence program, lack of sex ed course trivialize teen sexuality"

Second Place: Dani Landskroener, Kill Devil Hills, N.C., First Flight High School, "Student press restricted";

Third Place: Staff, Lakota East High School, Liberty Twp., Ohio, "From the Editor"

Honorable Mention: Katy Wolfe, Parker, Colo., Pondersosa High School, "Throwing away sportsmanship"

Ketki Warudkar, Irvine, Calif., Irvine High School, "Addiction to MySpace.com site proves harmful to students."

Graphics

First Place: Diana Seung, Fullerton, Calif., Sunny Hills High School, "Relationships: the bonds that hold our lives together"

Second Place: Taylor Bern, Cedar Falls, Iowa, Cedar Falls High School, "'Roid Rage: Steroids explosion in MLB upsets writer"

Third Place: Bob Al-Greene, Omaha, Neb., Omaha Central High School, "Putting your foot down"

Honorable Mentions: Brian Klug, Tucson, Ariz., Salpointe Catholic High School, "Students respond" and clock

Christina Hsu, San Francisco, Calif., Convent of the Scared Heart High School, "You are what you eat"

Elisabeth Clancy, Kenner, La., Grace King High School, "Evolution vs. Creationism."

Opinion

First Place: Linna Duan, Longmeadow, Mass., Longmeadow High School, "The Breathalyzer: More Harm Than Help?"

Second Place: Ally Markowski, Northside College Prep, Chicago, Ill., "Mark My Words"

Third Place: Annie Fehrenbacher, University of Illinois Laboratory High School, Urbana, 111., "Sports writing illustrates modern sexism"

Honorable Mentions: Johnny Love, Catholic High, Baton Rouge, LA, "One Nation "Under God?"

Thomas Hardison, Durham, N.C., Charles P. Jordan High School, "Media focuses on privileged whites, ignores minorities"

Ryan Bookstaff, West Chester, Ohio, Lakota East High School, "Mr. Big Stuff."

News

First Place: Emily Kearl and Jennifer Binder, Grand Junction, Colo., Grand Junction High School, "Help available for Grand Junction teens"

Second Place: Kelly Mendez and Heather Langley, Granite Bay, Calif., Granite Bay High School, "Sex?"

Third Place: Nathan Price, Louisville, Ky., Trinity High School, "Trinity community part of national relief effort"

Honorable Mentions: Cassandra Kane, Tamaqua, Penn., Tamaqua Arca High School, "Views vary on SAT essay introduction"

Tierra Fair, Bear, Del., The Charter School of Wilmington, "Non-citizens lose out"

Virginia Tena, Phoenix, Ariz., Carl Hayden High School, "Grant not enough to fund fitness center."

Sports Story

First Place: Brad Engel, Hamilton, Ohio, Lakota East High School, "Hurricane Warning"

Second Place: Lindsey Shroff, Albuquerque, N.M., Albuquerque Academy, "The truth about weighing in"

Third Place: Zach Pluhacek, Omaha, Neb., Omaha Central High School, "Tailgating"

Honorable Mentions: Nie Rodriguez, Tucson, Ariz., Salponte Catholic High School, "Club vs. Scholastic Sports"

Chirag Desai, Fullerton, Calif., Troy High School, "Quarterback turns to God."

Single Page Layout

First Place: Andrew Chestnut, Indianapolis, Ind., Warren Central High School, "Poker"

Second Place: Colton Croy, Alexander, Ark., Bryant High School, "Straight Vintage"

Third Place: Shannon McNeal, Shawnee, Kan., Shawnee Mission Northwest High School, "Do the crime, Pay the dime"

Honorable Mentions: Kirstin Riggs and Andrew Alemao, Cedar Falls, Iowa, Cedar Falls High School, Llama love: feature editors embark on llama adventure"

Robin Lam, Pomona, Calif., Troy High School, "San Andreas Fault: Are we ready for the Big One?"

Paul Mueller, Naperville, Ill., Naperville Central High School, "Tricks of the trail."

Reviews

First Place: Evan Schultz, Albuquerque, N.M., Albuquerque Academy, "Conquer the world in style"

Second Place: Celeste Lander, Rogers, Ark., Rogers High School, "Renting a little bit of Bohemia"

Third Place: Megan Swillinger, Crestwood, Ky., South Oldham High School, "Yes, these rocks still roll"

Honorable Mentions: Mary Shyne, Des Plaines, Ill., "Harry Potter and the literature question"

Ryan Bentzinger, Pella, Iowa, Pella High School, "Guerolito serves several different genres"

Jessica Agi, Anchorage, Alaska, Alyeska Central School, "Admit it--you watch 'Degrassi' too"

Feature Story

First Place: Maygan Maynard, Shawnee, Kan., Shawnee Mission East High School, "At age 15"

Second Place: Sarah Tiambeng, Duncanville, Texas, Duncanville High School, "Students turn to self-motivation"

Third Place: Susie Typher, Highlands Ranch, Colo., Rock Canyon High School, "A teacher remembers"

Honorable Mention: Caitlin Clisfton, Tucson, Ariz., Salponte Catholic High School, "Holiday Drinking"

Joe Delich, Omaha, Neb., Omaha Central High School, "Oxycontin"

Philip Jacobson, Chicago, Ill., University High School, "Food court manager."

Sports Photo

First Place: Samantha Boatman, Albuquerque, N.M., Sandia High School, "Stretching yourself"

Second Place: Sam Schroeder, Johnston, Iowa, Johnston High School, "Wakeboarder"

Third Place: James Dawson, Louisville, Ky., Trinity High School, "Louisville center David Padgett"

Honorable Mention: Divesh S. Brahmhatt, Bryant, Ark., Bryant High School, "Get the ball."

Columns

First Place: Steve Clark, Ft. Wayne, Ind., Carroll High School, License to Chill: "Journey of a Lifetime," "It Runs in the Family," and "The Coming Days"

Second Place: Daniel Morgan, Baton Rouge, La., Catholic High School, "On the Lighter Side," "On the Lighter Side," and "Opposing Views"

Third Place: Anthony Choi, Fullerton, Calif., Sunny Hills High School, Y not Tony: "Senior sees discipline as justified," "Senior hopes for security," and "Wheelchair gives senior toughness"

Honorable Mentions: Sean Redding and Erin Keane, Hoffman Estates, 111., Hoffman Estates High School, The Great Debates: "What is the proper course of action in Iraq?," Gun Control: What should be done?," and "Rights of Safety: where is the line?"

Lindsay Kenton, Milford, Del., Milford High School, A Column With A View: "Graduation day brings more than diplomas," "Weight-related issues complicate health, tip scales in America," and "Referendum may cut substantial funding."

Feature Photo

First Place: Katie Milewski, Duncanville, Texas, Duncanville High School, "Closing her eyes"

Second Place: Bonnie Reynolds, Derby, Kan., Derby High School, "Girl putting on makeup in a mirror"

Third Place: Michelle Stewart, Anchorage, Alaska, South Anchorage High School, "Polished Performance"

Honorable Mentions: Clay Lomneth, Omaha, Neb., Omaha Central High School, "Oxycontin"

Sam Schroeder, Johnston, Iowa, Johnston High School, "Swing choir."

Cartooning

First Place: Michael Delatin, Brusly, La., Catholic High School, "Wallet Deposit"

Second Place: Jeremy Freeman, Madison, N.C., Dalton L. McMichael High School, "2005: A School Odyssey"

Third Place: Karen Kuhn, Austin, Texas, Akins High School, "Texas waits for verdict on Robin Hood while legislators fight"

Honorable Mention: Dana Hamby, Omaha, Neb., Omaha Westside High School, "ACT scores."