



2012 NFPW High School
Communications Contest Winners
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Editorial

- First: Maria Davison, Shawnee Mission Northwest High School, Shawnee, Kansas, “How to Keep Students in School”
- Second: Madeleine Rutland, Bryant High School, Bryant, Ark., “Positive Influence”
- Third: Michael O’Brien, Wando High School, Mt. Pleasant, S.C., “Preserving the beauty”
- Honorable Mention: Madelynn Marlow, Cypress Woods High School, Cypress, Texas, “Breaking the Cycle of Cruelty”

Opinion

- First: Devin Casey, Lakota East High School, Liberty Township, Ohio, “Sophisticated Ignorance”
- Second: Elazar Chertow, Lowell High School, San Francisco, Calif., “Change I Believed In”
- Third: Romeeka Siddiqui, Duncanville High School, Duncanville, Texas, “Twin Tower attacks leave lasting memories in mind of Muslim student”
- Honorable Mention: Jimmy Crook, Roncalli High School, Indianapolis, Ind., “Bring on the shot clock”

News Story

- First: Allen Laman, Lawrence North High School, Indianapolis, Ind., “The social media effect”
- Second: Jack Howland, Shawnee Mission East High School, Prairie Village, Kansas, “They Call It Molly”
- Third: Shannon Carroll, Granite Bay High School, Granite Bay, Calif., “Ten years ago, everything changed”
- Honorable Mention: Rachel Podnar, Lakota East High School, Liberty Township, Ohio, “Levy Defeat Leaves District Picking Up the Pieces”

Feature Story

- First: Diana Nuno & Kaprice Sanchez, Kaneland High School, Maple Park, Ill., “Warning: Not for Human Consumption”
- Second: Jessica Waddle, Bryant High School, Bryant, Ark., “Blogger Banks”

- Third: Lynn Myers, Timberline High School, Boise, Idaho, “An Endless War: Post Traumatic Stress Disorder affects veterans and their THS friends and families”
- Honorable Mention: Elizabeth Leri, Wando High School, Mt. Pleasant, S.C., “In a generation: integration to tolerance”

Sports Story

- First: Chris Heady, Shawnee Mission East High School, Prairie Village, Kansas, “Finding Inner Strength”
- Second: Natasha Rausch, Lakota East High School, Liberty Township, Ohio, “Springing Forward”
- Third: Charlotte Biffar, Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto, Calif., “Uber Underdog”

Columns

- First: Emily Brown, Blue Valley High School, Stilwell, Kansas, “A forever friendship; Goodbye OCD; Grading the Grand Old Party”
- Second: Alex Kryah, Lawrence Central High School, Indianapolis, Ind., “Living in a fantasy (football) world; Here’s to you, Mr. Rivera ...; A day among the pro’s”
- Third: Win Lalley, Evanston High School, Evanston, Ill., “Jeremy Lin: A hero for society; Sportsmanship rarely present in competition; More corporate sponsorship will benefit ETHS”
- Honorable Mention: Shannon Carroll, Granite Bay High School, Granite Bay, Calif., “Behold, the rare Interderepublicrat!; Always take things with a grain of salt; The repulsive rise of the ‘r-word’ ”

Feature Photo

- First: Brandon Smith, Pittsburg High School, Pittsburg, Kansas, “Seniors Marcus Striplin, Dylan Gromer, Andrew Joy, Brendan Maxwell and Broc Bennett react to the intensity on the court during last week’s victory over undefeated Fort Scott during Pink Out Night.”
- Second: Jilly Burns, Fishers High School, Fishers, Ind., “Singing his Gershwin medley, senior Zach Donovan practices his solo at practice to prepare for the concert on Sept. 29. Donovan is part of the advanced show choir, Silver Streak. ...”
- Third: Amelia Jensen, Omaha Westside High School, Omaha, Neb., “Scott volunteers many hours at the site of the community garden, planting flowers, plants and vegetables.”
- Honorable Mention: Amelia Likeum, Kaneland High School, Maple Park, Ill., “Baum asked the crowd to ‘spend time today and reflect upon those who serve us and, in this reflection, please remember those that protect our freedoms by serving.’ A Fire Science student prayed for the victims following the ceremony.”

Sports Photo

- First: Nate Compton, Shawnee Mission Northwest High School, Shawnee, Kansas, “The ball is stolen from sophomore Jake Horner by a Bishop Miege player on Jan. 20 at Saint Thomas Aquinas. The Cougars lost 54-43.”
- Second: Laura Everett, A&M Consolidated High School, College Station, Texas, “Junior Taylor Williams practices her triple jump after school on April 28. Williams finished in third place at the Texas Relays on April 9.”

- Third: Emma Hood, Timberline High School, Boise, Idaho, “Evasive Wolf. THS junior quarterback Grant Hrubby slips a tackle in a loss to Mountain View.”
- Honorable Mention: Adam Byberg, Acalanes High School, Lafayette, Calif., “Senior Sam Lindgren takes down his opponent at the DFAL championships. Lindgren finished third and earned a spot in the NCS tournament.”

Cartooning

- First: Peter Manges, R. Nelson Snider High School, Fort Wayne, Ind., “Tortoise Soup”
- Second: Alexandra Schaening, West Brook High School, Beaumont, Texas, “Planking hurts”
- Third: Andrew Adams, Borah High School, Boise, Idaho, “Santa Claus cartoon”
- Honorable Mention: Gene Cochrane, University High School, Chicago, Ill., “Lorem Ipsum”

Graphics

- First: Diana Connolly, Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto, Calif., “Halloween: All Grown Up”
- Second: Chelsy Frakes, Timberline High School, Boise, Idaho, “Suicide—How to Intervene Before It Comes to This ...”
- Third: Rosalyn Lucas, Paola High School, Paola, Kansas, “Under the Exterior”
- Honorable Mention: Jake Knight, Bryant High School, Bryant, Ark., “The Game of Cash”

Review

- First: Evelyn Wang, Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto, Calif., “Beyond Watchmen: Comic books you’ve probably never heard of”
- Second: Skylar Harris, Omaha Westside High School, Omaha, Neb., “Doomsday Playlist: Listen Before You Die”
- Third: Corey Purcella, Albuquerque Academy, Albuquerque, N.M., “ ‘Pokémon Black/White’ a welcome addition to series”
- Honorable Mention: Zach Fulciniti, Lakota East High School, Liberty Township, Ohio, “Foo Fighters Wasting Light”

Single-Page Layout

- First: Jennifer Marvel, Warren Central High School, Indianapolis, Ind., “New Year’s Eve”
- Second: Sophie Goldberg, Omaha Westside High School, Omaha, Neb., “Page 1”
- Third: Christine Gravelle, Rocky Mountain High School, Fort Collins, Colo., “Pet Perks”
- Honorable Mention: Chloe Stradinger, Shawnee Mission East High School, Prairie Village, Kansas, “Now We’re Cooking”

Double-Truck Layout

- First: Jake Knight, Bryant High School, Bryant, Ark., “What’s on Your Plate?”
- Second: Katie Best & Carly Evans, Prospect High School, Mount Prospect, Ill., “Beyond the Diagnosis”

- Third: Emy Kely, Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto, Calif., “Beneath the Surface”
- Honorable Mention: Chelsy Frakes, Timberline High School, Boise, Idaho, “Successful”

Environment

- First: Geelon So, Nicole Fox, Mariah Everett, Maya Durvasula & Hailey Steichen, Albuquerque Academy, Albuquerque, N.M., “Going for the Green”
- Second: Roger Cain, Liberal Arts and Science Academy High School, Austin, Texas, “Into the frying pan”
- Third: MaryCate Most, Lyons Township High School, LaGrange, Ill., “Drug drive prevents abuse, pollution”

Video News Story

- First: Shane Samuelson, Hastings High School, Hastings, Neb., “Skills USA”
- Second: Duncan MacLachlan, Shawnee Mission East High School, Prairie Village, Kansas, “Occupy KC”
- Third: Erica Mackler, Frisco ISD Career & Technical Education Center, Frisco, Texas, “Frisco ISD Growth 2011”
- Honorable Mention: Chloe Salzetti, Timberline High School, Boise, Idaho, “Electronics Policy”

Video Feature Story

- First: Maryssa Sklaroff, Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto, Calif., “28:30—Adrenaline”
- Second: Sara Britton, Timberline High School, Boise, Idaho, “Body Image and the Media”
- Third: Allison Gaffney & Genevieve Clayton, Southport High School, Indianapolis, Ind., “Ethan Hawes Runs Across”
- Honorable Mention: Alyssa Herzog, Frisco ISD Career & Technical Education Center, Frisco, Texas, “Something Special about Education”

Video Sports Story

- First: Nathan Walker, Shawnee Mission East High School, Prairie Village, Kansas, Harbie Practice Squad: Swimming”
- Second: Daniel Mulholland & Steven Bierwagen, Jersey Village High School, Houston, Texas, “Wrestling”
- Third: Allison Gaffney, Genevieve Clayton & Kush Parikshak, Southport High School, Indianapolis, Ind., “Stotan”
- Honorable Mention: Kiana Valdez, Carlmont High School, Belmont, Calif., “Carlmont vs. Burlingame Brawl”

Yearbook

- First: Lauren Minick, Shawnee Mission Northwest High School, Shawnee, Kansas, “X Marks the Walk”
- Second: Ashley Wennmacher, Belvidere North High School, Belvidere, Ill., “To Be or Not to Be”
- Third: Kelli Poplau, Hastings High School, Hastings, Neb., “Our Face Place”