

Vantage students qualify for state competition

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Even a two-hour delay on Feb. 28 could not stop the first part of the Regional FCCLA Culinary contest at Vantage! The Vantage-hosted event continued on Saturday when Early Childhood Education and Culinary Arts students competed in several contests.

Four Culinary Arts students will advance to the state contest. Senior Bethanee Grote (Ottoville) received a Gold rating in the Garde Manger Tray contest. In this competition, a student demonstrates knife and presentation skills by creating a cold appetizer of fruit or vegetables as a beautiful garnish — a watermelon rosette or a swan made from an apple are some examples.

The Meeting Event Set-up Team is also headed to Columbus for the state competition. Team members Ben Dwyer (Lincolnview), Ashley Wurst (Lincolnview) and John Parsons (Parkway) joined forces to prepare a meeting room according to a Banquet Event Order which meets industry standards and anticipates guest needs.

Three senior Early Childhood Education students heading to Columbus are Abby Hosler (Kalida), Ashley Guelde (Paulding) and Lindsay Ruposky (Van Wert). They teamed up for the Chapter Service Manual team competition and received a Gold rating for their March of Dimes Wonderwalk project which raised \$732. Congratulations and Good Luck to all student competitors!