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## Press Release

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### **McKinley High's Beta Club Scores at State, Going on to Nationals**

**Baton Rouge, LA – McKinley High School's 60-member Beta Club team won award after award January 21 and 22 at the Louisiana State Beta Convention. Now the club's Quiz Bowl Team is moving on to the national competition June 30-July 3 in Louisville, KY. In addition, Amber Brooks won third place in the Spelling Category and will move on to compete at nationals.**

The McKinley Quiz Bowl Team made it to the final round on the Arena Stage, finishing second only to Lafayette High School. They now will be able to compete at the Beta National Convention.

There were more than 5,000 students and sponsors in attendance at the state level representing more than 130 Louisiana high schools.

#### **McKinley High's Talented Art members swept the state competition in the following ways:**

BEST of Show in Fine Art	Clare Carter
1st place, Charcoal	Clare Carter
1st place, Painting	Josh White
1st place, Color Pencil	Josh White
1st Place, Pencil	Liz Allen
1st place, Mixed Media	Mollie Adams
2nd place, Colored Pencil	Liz Allen
3rd place, Charcoal	Molly Adams

#### **In addition, Beta Club members were named:**

MVP of the Quiz Bowl Competition -- Devika Balanchandra  
Winner of the \$1,000 Harris Scholarship (written test) -- Devika Balanchandra  
1st Place Winner in Computer Technologies (test) -- Michael Taboada

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