



PERFORM SKIT - The Future Problem Solving Team is pictured performing their skit at the State Bowl competition at Columbia College. Pictured are (L-R) Crystal Wilson, Amanda D. Stratman, Megan Duncan, Clayton Weidinger, Pieter Lips, David Weidinger and Nathaniel Weber. The team is coached by Sherry Bingaman.

Future Problem Solving Team competes at the State Bowl

Vienna High School's first Future Problem Solving Team was a finalist at the state bowl at Columbia College.

The Future Problem Solving (FPS) is a year-long educational program designed to challenge students to think creatively, analytically and futuristically. FPS is a "life skill" process that provides authentic assessment and offers academic competition.

The FPS program provides students with opportunities to enhance their awareness of everyday issues and to learn effective processes that can be

used throughout their lives. The ability to identify problems in one's environment, realize their impact within the larger community, and learn that problems can be solved is the focus of the program.

The FPS program incorporates the basic skills taught in the classroom and extends the students' understanding of the inter-relationships between school and the real world. Students act as "think-tank" groups in solving the problems.

Writing Team members

include Clayton Weidinger, Megan Duncan, Amanda D. Stratman and Pieter Lips. Nathaniel Weber competed in the Individual Scenario Writing Competition. Other team members who helped with the skit competition were David Weidinger, Crystal Wilson and Nathaniel Weber.

"This was the first year for Vienna's Future Problem Solving Team and I am so proud of the team for qualifying for the State Bowl at Columbia College. This is a great beginning," said team coach Sherry Bingaman.