

## EOC Tech Students Excel in State Business Competitions

The Oklahoma Business Professionals of America recently held its annual state conference March 8 through 10, 2010 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. OKBPA is the state business and information technology student organization for high school and adult students enrolled in Career Tech Programs throughout the state. Students from EOC Technology Center participated in several competitive events throughout the conference and attended educational and award sessions. Jeff Yaldan, teen life coach appearing on MTV's "MADE" reality TV series was the keynote speaker.

EOC students worked hard to qualify for state level competitions in a variety of categories. The following students were recognized for their top 10 placements in their respective areas:

- Lisa Seitz, 5<sup>th</sup> place, Database Applications
- Robin Wilson, Amelia Smith and Lisa Seitz 8<sup>th</sup> place, Administrative Support Team
- J.P. Everett, 9<sup>th</sup> place, PC Service & Troubleshooting
- Roque Taylor, 5<sup>th</sup> place, Fundamentals of Web Design
- Eric Marlow, 6<sup>th</sup> place, Fundamentals of Web Design
- Bryan Newton, 7<sup>th</sup> place, Fundamentals of Web Design

In addition to the previous named top 10 finishers, several EOC Tech students finished high enough in competition to earn a trip to the National BPA Conference and competitive events held in May. The National Conference will be held this year in Anaheim, California. The top winners from EOC Technology BPA are:

- Amelia Smith, 1<sup>st</sup> place, Integrated Office Application
- Eric Marlow, Stephanie Cauthron, and Matt Young, 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Web Site Design Team-Adult
- Chelsea Johnson and Roque Taylor, 1<sup>st</sup> place, Web Site Design Team-Secondary
- Brian Holland, 1<sup>st</sup> place, Computer Network Technology
- Ian McDonald, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Fundamentals of Web Design
- Ian McDonald and Bryan Newton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Web Site Design Team-Adult

Program instructors for these winning students are Peggy Bradley, Web Page Services; Tom Buntin, Computer Repair and Networking; and Tracie Spencer, Business Management and Administration. These instructors are to be commended for their hard work preparing such a large group of students for competitive success.

Eastern Oklahoma County Technology Center offers many programs to high school and adult students from the communities of Choctaw, Harrah, Jones, Luther and Nicoma Park. More information can be found at [www.eoctech.org](http://www.eoctech.org).