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2022 VSBA High School Student Video Contest Winners Announced

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA - The Virginia School Boards Association's (VSBA) eleventh annual student video contest challenged high school students across Virginia to create a 30-second video centered on the theme "Rising Above." The first, second and third place winners, selected out of 23 submissions, were announced today at the opening general session of the VSBA Annual Convention in Williamsburg, VA, and the videos were shown to the convention's attendees.

1st Place: "Take the Next Steps" youtu.be/TRxlOn7r2ig
Atlee, Hanover, Mechanicsville, Patrick High Schools (Hanover County Public Schools)

2nd Place: "What is Rising Above?" youtu.be/qNwVza_BYeM
Arlington Career Center (Arlington County Public Schools)

3rd Place: "Forging Ahead to Rise Above" <u>youtu.be/wI7C9wgUDyk</u> Smithfield High School (Isle of Wight County Public Schools)

In addition to the top three videos listed above, there were two Honorable Mentions:

Honorable Mention: "Rise Above" youtube.com/watch?v=cwlPD3EB8zc Meridian High School (Falls Church Public Schools)

Honorable Mention: "Rising Above" youtube.com/watch?v=3dO_n4377_E Greensville County High School (Greensville County Public Schools)

The contest gives students an opportunity to create thought-provoking videos individually, in a small group, or as a class project. Videos were judged on how well they addressed the topic, the quality of the production of the video, as well as the depth of thought and creativity of the video. The contest was open to Virginia public high school students and one entry per school division was accepted.

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About the Virginia School Boards Association

The Virginia School Boards Association, a voluntary, nonpartisan organization of Virginia school boards, promotes excellence in public education through advocacy, training and services. The Association offers conferences, information, training, and counseling designed to meet the needs of the Commonwealth's educational leaders.