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BEHS FBLA Students Teaching Essential Skills

Bullitt East High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) students recently wrapped up five weeks teaching essential skills with Old Mill Elementary School fourth and fifth grade students sponsored by Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana.

FBLA Adviser Kyle Downs said FBLA allows students to increase business knowledge, leadership skills and networking opportunities.

“FBLA is a great opportunity for students to learn outside a classroom and gives students opportunities they normally would not have,” he said.

Participating students included freshman Emma Wright; Sophomores Kameron Mullins, Landon Hite, Mandy Brainer, Addison Pruitt, Pierce Williams, Bryce Reed, Lily Echols, Madison Gauthier, Brice Edwards, Sara Hughes, Abby Scharfenberger, Nevaeh Robinson, Cameron Dunaway and Aeron Adams; juniors Max Gauthier, Meredith Bass, Abi Huffman, Shelby Knieriem, Ryley Ortega, Emily Ezell, Julia Kromenacker, Sarah Ezell, Cole Stewart, Samuel Brangers, Olivia Armstrong and Grayson Adams; and senior Madisson Kingsley.

Downs explained there were a variety of lessons about economics and entrepreneurship.

“The students would have to prepare the lesson before going over to Old Mill,” he said. “There were a lot of volunteer hours that the students put in to make it a successful experience for the Old Mill students.”

The primary goal for the Bullitt East students was to make sure the Old Mill students learned about the main idea of the lesson.

“The FBLA students were great,” praised Downs. “They volunteered their time and put forth great effort in ensuring that the Old Mill students had the best experience possible. A lot of positive feedback from everyone involved.”

Downs said students sign up for FBLA at the beginning of the school year and perform many activities

“We do a variety of things throughout the year, including meetings after school, National Leadership Conferences, and compete in Region, State and Nationals in the spring,” he said. “FBLA is a co-curriculum organization and is used in business classes. It enhances business classes and provides opportunities for students outside of the classroom.”

Downs encourages students to participate in FBLA citing he would have taken a business pathway if he was currently a high school student.

“The FBLA program at Bullitt East has taken off in the last few years and we hope to continue the upward trend,” he said. “We provide students opportunities that they normally would not have outside of the classroom. FBLA allows students to increase their business knowledge, leadership skills, and networking opportunities.”

Bullitt County Public Schools has over 13,100 students in grades preschool through 12. There are 25 school facilities, a certified staff of over 900 and a classified staff of over 800 working to make the district the leader in educational excellence.

