

# State BPA 2025 Results



*Not all state competitors are pictured above.*

**Chapter Awards:** We earned two chapter awards for our work in Marketing and PR with our social media presence, news articles, promotions at school and more. We also received honorable mention for our work with the Coats for Kids Drive. Thank you Emily Tran for taking the lead and submitting the work at the State and National level.

- Outstanding Chapter Marketing & Public Relations
- Honorable Mention Community Service

**BPA Scholarships Awarded:** We have several seniors apply for scholarships and we left with two receiving them.

- MN Conference Staff Scholarship: Jordan Blair
- Joan Sprengler Foundation Scholarship Issey Phan

**2025-2026 State Officers:** **Ericka Miller and Nolawi Gibe** began their State Officer journey in January with a pre-caucus, as only two candidates could represent Blaine. With the support of their campaign managers, Sandara Sihavong and Reema Krishnan, they worked hard to meet all candidacy requirements and were slated spots as candidates. At the state conference, they competed against candidates from across Minnesota, undergoing panel interviews, taking the BPA Merit test, delivering a two-minute speech to 1,600 people, presenting their plans at the campaign rally, and meeting one-on-one with voting delegates at the Region Caucus. In the end, both were elected to the 2025-2026 State BPA Officer Team. **Ericka was elected as State BPA President and Nolawi was elected as VP of Communications.**

**Torch Awards:** The BPA Torch Awards Program recognizes students for leadership and service in seven categories: Leadership, Service, Cooperation, Knowledge, Friendship, Love, Hope, and Faith. Members earn points by participating in activities that demonstrate these values, achieving different award levels, including Local, Regional, State, and National. Below are the students that received recognition at the State level.

**Statesman Recipients:** Teni Adeogun, Ajibike Anjorin, Omar Hilowle, Shripad Patil, Bethel Teklu, Ariel Yajcherthao, Jordan Blair, Sarrah Es-Sabha, Natran Gibe, Kreem Ibrahim, Ali Khan, Reema Krishnan, Fatu Sesay, Anisa Ali, Fernando Fung Bautista, Sarah Huynh, Ishmael Kamara, Aisha Omar, Isabella Phan, Marlena Roby, Sandara Sihavong, Anushkaa Sinha, Emily Tran, Eliana Zerie, Teddy Agem, Dmer Browne, Ethan Burnette, Avion Dent, David Diamond Shamara, Gabriella DuBois Ketchaya, Adizat Etti, Raqiya Osman, Nelson Sherman, Justin Sworr.

**Competitive Events Results:** Students qualified from the Region competition in January to compete at the State BPA Conference in a variety of events. There are 72 different events across categories such as Finance, Business Administration, Management Information Systems, Digital Communication & Design, Management, Marketing & Communication, and Health Administration. Below are the results of our students who will now compete at the International conference held in May in Orlando, Florida.

**Administrative Support Research Project**

State Finalist

Sarrah Es-Sabha

### **Administrative Support Concepts**

State Finalist Ella Thomson

### **Advanced Interview Skills**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Issey Phan  
State Finalist Sarah Huynh & Bella DuBois Ketchaya

### **Banking & Finance**

STATE CHAMPION Bona Terfassa  
State Finalist Sienna Grant

### **Broadcast News Production Team**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team of Bona Terfassa, Jordan Blair, Kreem Ibrahim, Ali Khan  
State Finalist Team of Leah Holman, Albert Holman, Aurelia Woolhouse, Niyjae Douglas  
Team of Sebastian Butorac & Desmon Naimodu

### **Computer Modeling**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Sydney Greene  
State Finalist Leah Holman & Nelson Sherman

### **Computer Network Technology**

4<sup>th</sup> Place Landen Chang

### **Computer Programming Concepts**

5<sup>th</sup> Place Barack Yusuf

### **Computer Security**

State Finalist Jacob Hoang

### **Device Configuration and Troubleshooting**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Andy Hoang  
4<sup>th</sup> Place Nolan Olson

### **Digital Communication & Design Concepts**

State Finalist Shripad Patil, Mary Zins

### **Digital Marketing Concepts**

4<sup>th</sup> Place Barack Yusuf  
5<sup>th</sup> Place Ali Al-Jumaili  
State Finalist Natran Gibe

### **Digital Media Production**

State Finalist Jada Chen & Garrett Bower

### **Economic Research Individual**

STATE CHAMPION Mark Elau  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place Derrick "RJ" Obwaya  
State Finalist Hiba Kemer

### **Economic Research Team**

State Finalist Shripad Patil, Jacob Elson, Andy Hoang, Nolan Olson  
Anushkaa Sinha, Isabelle Wegener, Eliana Zerie



## **Entrepreneurship**

State Finalist      Abdulbasit Muhamed & Aji Anjorin

## **Ethics & Professionalism**

State Finalist      Ishmael Kamara

## **Extemporaneous Speech**

State Finalist      Laela Jeon

## **Financial Math & Analysis Concepts**

5<sup>th</sup> Place      Sienna Grant

## **Fundamental Spreadsheet Applications**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place      Vladimir Ditta

## **Fundamentals of Web Design**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place      Sydney Greene

5<sup>th</sup> Place      Mary Zins

## **Global Marketing Team**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place      Hiba Kemer, Zabida Ahmed, Tosin Olasanmi, Feneti Sultan

## **Graphic Design Promotion**

STATE CHAMPION      Karma Phuntsok

2<sup>nd</sup> Place      Ayush Naik

## **Health Administration Concepts**

State Finalist      Ali Al-Jumaili, Natran Gibe, Shripad Patil

## **Health Administration Procedures**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place      Shripad Patil

State Finalist      Aji Anjorin

## **Health Research Presentation**

State Finalist      Ali Khan & Rusis Bhusal

## **Human Resource Management**

State Finalist      Dmer Browne

## **Information Technology Concepts**

State Finalist      Barack Yusuf

## **Intermediate Word Processing**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place      Eliana Zerie

## **Interview Skills**

State Finalist      Omar Hilowle, Ariel Yajcherthao

## **Linux Operating Systems**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place      Jacob Hoang



## **Management, Marketing & Human Resource Concepts**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Ali Khan  
5<sup>th</sup> Place Natran Gibe  
State Finalist Shripad Patil

## **Meeting & Event Planning**

State Finalist Anushkaa Sinha, Ella Thomson, Isabelle Wegener

## **Parliamentary Procedure Concepts**

5<sup>th</sup> Place Natran Gibe  
State Finalist Barack Yusuf

## **Podcast Production Team**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team of Umni Sekhi, Vivian Nguyen, Vy Phan  
State Finalist Team of Teni Adeogun, Issey Phan, Marlena Roby

## **Prepared Speech**

STATE CHAMPION Vladimir Ditta

## **Presentation Individual**

STATE CHAMPION Reema Krishnan  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place Jordan Blair  
State Finalist Anan Abdi

## **Presentation Team**

State Finalist Team of Sarrah Es-Sabha & Aisha Omar

## **User Experience Design Team**

STATE CHAMPIONS Team of Tristan Harris, Nadaline Barry, Ericka Miller, Derrick “RJ” Obwaya

## **Video Production Team**

State Finalist Team of Halie Kaufmann, Fahima Rashid, Jada Chen

## **Visual Design Team**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team of Ruis Bhusal, Suditya Singh, Ben Darda, Omar Rincon Lopez  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team of Ayush Naik, Rosalynn Truong, Chuepor Vue, Jarely Arias  
State Finalist Team of Sarah Huynh, Emily Tran, Dmer Browne, Justin Sworr

## **Website Design Team**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team of Reema Krishnan, Karma Phuntsok, Nolawi Gibe, Sandara Sihavong

