2020 OUTSTANDING CTE STUDENT-SECONDARY
Aubrey Richards
FBLA Vice President of Progress
Ignacio High School

Aubrey Richards has been enrolled in business classes throughout her tenure at Idalia and is an active member of FBLA competing at the local, district, state, and national levels. Aubrey is a strong competitor in team events and also challenges herself to compete in individual competitions.

Her adviser writes “What impresses me the most with Aubrey is her goal setting and planning. When school begins each year, she comes back and has already researched the contest themes and picked her contest for FBLA competition. Her enthusiasm is contagious. Now I have younger members following her lead and doing the same thing. With the time and energy Aubrey puts into her projects for FBLA, I know that she will always produce a very professional project that represents not only her but our chapter wonderfully. She not only puts this energy into her own projects but is very willing to help other members of the chapter when they ask her for guidance on their projects."

Words that describe Aubrey include trustworthy, responsible, sensible, outgoing, a team player, competitive, mature, and sincere. She will be a great asset to any business that employs her and successful in her collegiate endeavors because of these qualities. The FBLA State Adviser said “Aubrey’s name could be listed in the dictionary next to initiative. She single-handedly redesigned the entire website for Colorado FBLA. If something is mentioned to Aubrey in passing, she will take on the responsibility of making it happen. Her numerous hours in service to our organization have not gone unnoticed. She has a servant leader heart."

When Ms. Richards is asked to do something, you know that you will get a job that is completed efficiently and on time. She is willing to spend additional countless hours of her own time perfecting a project that she believes in. She is not a complainer and is always looking for ways to improve herself and help those around her. This past summer, Aubrey had a plan to restore all the picnic tables that were donated to the Homestead Hall (baseball field). She spent over 400 hours rebuilding, sanding, and staining these tables so that they were able to be used for community and school picnics at the baseball field. What a project! She is very giving young lady.

Aubrey Richards is wise beyond her years and will be successful in meeting and exceeding her goals. Aubrey’s intelligence, leadership, service ethic, character, ability to handle adversity and talent makes her an excellent recipient of the CACTE Outstanding CTE Secondary Student Award. Aubrey will be an asset to any organization, community and workplace in her future endeavors. Congratulations, Aubrey!