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Leadership Key at Local High Schools, Especially at Graduation

Lake Charles, LA – When asked what defines a leader, Cameron Communications President George Mack replied, “A leader comes in many shapes and sizes, but consistently makes others want to follow. A leader is someone that leads by example and is respectful of others and most importantly is efficiently productive.”

This definition of a leader rings true when describing the recipients of the 2010 Leadership Awards from Cameron Communications. Each year, school counselors and officials are encouraged to choose Senior students for this award that demonstrate leadership qualities, both in and out of the classroom. This year’s students not only show exemplary leadership qualities, but are sources of motivation for their peers and they set the bar for younger students. The award of \$250 is meant to help them on their chosen path for the future.

This year’s recipients of the Cameron Communications Leadership Award are East Beauregard High School’s Cayla Nicole Guillory, Pitkin High School’s Johnathan Irely, Plainview High School’s Lindsay Johnson, Fairview High School’s Colby Marler and Elizabeth High School’s Kati Strother.



Cayla Nicole Guillory is the recipient of East Beauregard High School’s 2010 Cameron Communications Leadership award. Ms. Guillory has stayed busy her entire tenure at East Beauregard High School with extracurricular activities and clubs. She is a four-year member of FBLA and Beta Club, and she has participated in Band, Speech Club, Science Club, Yearbook Staff, Prom Committee and was a Cheerleader. While a senior, Cayla served as the President of FBLA, and the Senior Editor of the Yearbook. Her hard work and dedication to these

organizations has made her an example to younger students, giving them an enthusiastic role model. Congratulations to Cayla in her future plans as she leaves high school and prepares for the future.



Johnathan Irey is the recipient of Pitkin High School's 2010 Cameron Communications Leadership Award. Mr. Irey has been a staple of Pitkin High School, especially online. He has served as the webmaster for the school and also for Louisiana Youth for Excellence and the Future Business Leaders of America. In addition, he also served as President, and as Parliamentarian of Future Business Leaders of America as well as the Fellowship of Christian Studies. Johnathan was also chosen for Who's Who

Among Business High School Students. His extracurricular activities include Quiz Bowl, 4-H, and finding time for cooking, fishing and music. Congratulations to Johnathan, who will be attending Northwestern State University, where he will either major in Business Education or Library Science.



Lindsay Johnson is the recipient of Plainview High School's 2010 Cameron Communications Leadership award. Ms. Johnson is no stranger to the limelight, having earned many accolades while in high school at Plainview. She has been honored not only with the title of Valedictorian, but she has also received Plainview Student of the Year, Rapides Parish Teachers' Association Top Graduate award, Who's Who Among All-American Scholars, Who's Who in Leadership, and the list continues. In addition to these honors, Lindsay has had a full

plate with extra-curricular activities as well, including FFA, Student Council Representative, Public Speaking and she was on the Basketball team. Congratulations to Lindsay and her future endeavors, at which she is sure to be successful!



Colby Marler is the recipient of Fairview High School's 2010 Cameron Communications Leadership award. Mr. Marler is touted by Mr. Gary Lockhart, Principal of Fairview High School as "One of the most mature high school students that I have ever known." With the opportunity to be in a leadership position in the many activities he's involved in, it's easy to see why he receives such high commendations. Colby is a varsity athlete in many sports, including basketball, baseball and track and field. Off of the field, Colby is a go-to student, with involvement in Student Council, FFA Forestry & Welding Team, and the

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and has served in the school's Grandparents Day Program. Outside of school, this impressive young man recently helped pass a bond issue for the school by educating area voters on the issues and where their tax dollars will be spent. Congratulations to Colby as he continues on with his education at McNeese State University in Lake Charles this fall.



Kati Strother is the recipient of Elizabeth High School's 2010 Cameron Communications Leadership award. Ms. Strother is a popular student at EHS, and spends her time delegating between extra curricular activities, school activities, and spending time with friends. She graduates this spring with a 3.36 Grade Point Average, and is looking forward to attending Northwestern State University in Natchitoches this fall. Kati will be majoring in Forensic Science while at NSU. Congratulations to Kati as she begins her journey as an NSU Demon.

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PICTURE DESCRIPTION:



Cayla Nicole Guillory receives her 2010 Cameron Communications' Leadership Award from Jerry Deters, Public Relations Coordinator for Cameron Communications. Cayla is a graduate of East Beauregard High School.



Johnathan Irej is the 2010 recipient of a Cameron Communications' Leadership Award. It was presented by Jerry Deters, Public Relations Coordinator for Cameron Communications. Johnathan is a graduate of Pitkin High School.



Lindsay Johnson received a 2010 Cameron Communications' Leadership Award from Jerry Deters, Public Relations Coordinator for Cameron Communications. Lindsay is a Plainview High School graduate.



Colby Marler is a recipient of the 2010 Cameron Communications' Leadership Award. The award was presented by Cameron Communications Public Relations Coordinator, Jerry Deters. Colby is a Fairview High School graduate.



Kati Strother is one recipient of the Cameron Communications' Leadership Award for 2010. The award was presented by Jerry Deters, Public Relations Coordinator for Cameron Communications. Kati is an Elizabeth High School graduate.