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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EASTERN HOSTS ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS CONTEST

CHARLESTON -- A total of 102 students from 17 area high schools participated in Eastern Illinois University's Department of Business Education and Administrative Information Systems' annual high school business contest this year.

Participating schools were from: Altamont, Arcola, Casey-Westfield, Charleston, Dieterich, Effingham, Edwards County, Lovington, Marshall, Neoga, Newton, Oakland, Oblong, Shelbyville, Sullivan, Tower Hill and West Richland.

School winners were Shelbyville High School in first place, and Charleston and Sullivan high schools tied for second place.

Individual trophy winners by contest were:

KEYBOARDING I -- First-place winner, Jill Lochbaum, Shelbyville High School; second-place winner, Ian Runyon, West Richland High School; third-place winner, Chris Becker, Altamont High School.

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KEYBOARDING II -- First-place winner, Heidi Diehl, Effingham High School; second-place winner, Aubrey Ferguson, Newton High School; third-place winner, Katy Gilbert, Charleston High School.

ACCOUNTING -- First-place winner, Jared Jones, Newton High School; second-place winner, Jeremy Baker, Sullivan High School; third-place winner, Horath Ryan, Sullivan High School.

GENERAL BUSINESS -- First-place winner, Bob Maulding, Casey-Westfield High School; second-place winner, Wade Weishaar, Shelbyville High School; third-place winner, Shelly Miller, Marshall High School.

INFORMATION PROCESSING -- First-place winner, Trevor Brown, Charleston High School; second-place winner, Michael Mehl, Altamont High School; third-place winner, Andrew Preston, Sullivan High School.