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***FTCC Criminal Justice Students Win First Place in State Competition Contest***

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – April 16, 2010 – Three Fayetteville Technical Community College students competed and won first place in the Crime Scene Investigation contest at the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual North Carolina SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference held in Greensboro April 14-16. Rebecca Lemings, Shyla Coburn, and Brittany Williams are enrolled in FTCC's Criminal Justice Technology program. The students will compete at the SkillsUSA national competition in Kansas City, MO June 21-26.

The Crime Scene Investigation contest involved students being directed to a crime scene and briefed on the situation. The students process the scene by properly collecting, removing, and marking crime scene evidence, removing a latent fingerprint, and preparing a written report including a sketch of the crime scene. Nearly 1,600 students from secondary and postsecondary programs competed in 88 different contests.

FTCC Criminal Justice Technology instructor Elizabeth Willet-Cutler served as the adviser for preparing students for the competition. FTCC's Aaron Cox serves as the department chair for Criminal Justice Technology.

Fayetteville Technical Community College was established in 1961 and serves over 34,000 students annually by providing 150 affordable occupational, technical, general education, college transfer, and continuing education programs to meet students' needs and desires as well as the community.

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