

# Sayre, Merritt and Canute Students Win at WARP

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Three western Oklahoma high school students won top honors at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Timed Writing and Research Project (WARP), a competition held at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Sayre.

First place and a \$600 scholarship were awarded to Camee Thomason of Sayre High School. Kyrie Helling of Merritt High School won second place and a \$500 scholarship. A \$400 scholarship was awarded to third place finisher Creed Divis of Canute High School.

Eighteen juniors from five area high schools competed.

Students spent the morning researching and organizing a two-to-three-page paper. Then they were treated to lunch at the Bulldog Café inside the SWOSU-Sayre Student Union where they played games for prizes. After lunch, they returned to computer labs to put the finishing touches on their papers.

Sponsoring teachers attended a workshop, taught by SWOSU-Sayre computer science instructor Deborah Carpenter, for continuing education points.

Event organizer, SWOSU-Sayre language arts instructor Judy Haught, expressed appreciation to all the volunteers at SWOSU-Sayre who contributed to the continuing success of the event and to the high school teachers who took time out of their schedules to give their students this opportunity for scholarship and growth.