

IDA Qualifies in Ransom By Noel Ritter

The Golden Plains Forensics team got up extra-early on the February 18 to compete at the Western Plains Invitational in Ransom. Angel Sanchez and Kellee Snyder each performed prose and placed high in every round, but couldn't quite break finals. Devin Carter partnered with Sanchez for IDA. They placed first, second, and third in their rounds to qualify for finals. They placed second in finals to qualify them for state champs. This is Carter's second state qualifying performance this season. "It was great to qualify at this meet," said Sanchez. "Now we can work on getting better before state."

Carter and Taryn Fleckenstein also performed their state qualifying duet at this meet, but did not make finals. Fleckenstein performed her Oration for the first time this year. She finished in 7th place. Nick Brown competed in Extemporaneous Speaking for the first time. He advanced to finals where he placed fifth. Also competing in Extemp for the first time was Kellee Snyder who placed sixth. Brown also delivered a humorous solo. He had a lot of fun with it and learned a lot about performing this type of piece.

The team has been hard at work as they perform at two meets the following week in Oberlin and Plainville.