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Southland College Prep juniors state their case



Southland College Prep Charter High School juniors Alexis Newson (left), of Park Forest, and Morgan Brown, of Matteson, took first place in the Dramatic Acting Duet competition of the IHSA Speech Individual Event State Finals. | Supplied photo

Southland College Prep Charter High School juniors Morgan Brown, of Matteson, and Alexis Newson, of Park Forest, took first place in the Dramatic Duet Acting section of the Illinois High School Association Speech Individual Events State Finals.

In early February, the duet took first place in the Dramatic Duet Acting Section of the state regional tournament held at Southland College Prep. They later placed second in the sectional tournament at Reavis High School in Burbank, which sent them to the IHSA state finals.

Brown also placed second in the Oratorical Declamation event and Newson placed third in

Prose Reading in the regional event.

Both girls are National Honor Society members.

“Bringing home this three-year-old school’s very first No. 1 state championship in any IHSA-sanctioned performance or athletic event is a fine accomplishment for these very talented young people and their dedicated coaches,” Southland College Prep CEO Blondean Davis said.

Southland College Prep, 4601 W. Sauk Trail Road, Richton Park, opened in August 2010. It is the only public charter high school in Chicago’s suburbs.

The school serves students in Country Club Hills, Flossmoor, Hazel Crest, Homewood, Matteson, Olympia Fields, Park Forest, Richton Park and Tinley Park.

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