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Judging the student competitions is an extremely difficult task. The following individuals have kindly volunteered for this important endeavor. We would like to extend our appreciation to them.

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Fort LeBoeuf High School

Educating today's youth has become increasingly challenging. Innovative educators and school districts are always seeking new and better ways to accomplish their goals. We applaud Example High School for partnering with ACES to present this progressive program in economics education. Special thanks go out to the entire administration, faculty, and staff for their vision and commitment.

Business Advisors

The following individuals have generously donated their time as Business Advisors. Their dedication and commitment to young people serves as an example to all of us. We would like to extend our appreciation to them and to their companies and organizations.

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