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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Lower Richland High School to Represent South Carolina at National LifeSmarts Competition, *Again!*



On March 2<sup>nd</sup> Lower Richland High School competed against the F.E. Dubose Career Center for a chance to represent South Carolina at the National LifeSmarts Competition. The competition consisted of three rounds of cumulative scoring. But after the three rounds, the teams were tied! Lower Richland broke the tie in a sudden-death, best-of-three series of questions. Lower Richland's team is: Coach: Tari Tucker; Captain: Nivean Gonzalez-Lara; Members: Jasmine Belton, Aaron Smith and Manuel Zambrana. They will travel to Philadelphia, PA from April 21 - 24, 2012 to represent our state in the national competition for the second year in a row.

SCDCA aims to protect consumers from inequities in the marketplace through advocacy, complaint mediation, enforcement and education. To file a complaint or get information on consumer issues, visit [www.scconsumer.gov](http://www.scconsumer.gov) or call toll-free, 1.800.922.1594.

LifeSmarts, the ultimate consumer challenge, is an educational opportunity that develops the consumer and marketplace knowledge and skills of students in a fun way. LifeSmarts topics are: personal finance; health and safety; the environment; technology; and consumer rights and responsibilities. The program can be used as an activity for classes, groups, clubs, and community organizations. LifeSmarts, run as a game-show style competition, is open to all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students in the United States.

SCDCA is the South Carolina partner organization of LifeSmarts, a program of the National Consumers League, and receives funding assistance from the South Carolina Financial Services Association. For more information on LifeSmarts, visit [Lifesmarts.org](http://Lifesmarts.org) or contact SCDCA at 800-922-1594.

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