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Katelyn Bruce, left, first runner-up, Danielle Crook, Miss Santa Cruz County, and Jennifer Castro, second runner-up, receive their awards Sunday at Cabrillo College.

Miss Santa Cruz County crowned

SENTINEL STAFF REPORT

Danielle Crook, 23, of Aptos was crowned Miss Santa Cruz County 2007 on Sunday at Cabrillo College.

Miss Santa Cruz County Scholarship Program is a preliminary competition for the Miss California Program and Miss America Pageant.

Crook, a recent UC Los Angeles graduate, was awarded a

\$5,000 scholarship prize for her continuing education and to help her prepare for the Miss California Program in June 2007.

First runner-up, 21-yearold Katelyn Bruce, received a \$1,800 scholarship. Second runner-up, 20-year-old Jennifer Castro, was awarded a \$1,300 scholarship.

Santa Cruz High student Jessica Metter was crowned Santa

Cruz County's 2007 Outstanding Teen. She received a \$500 scholarship.

Even though 12 women competed for a crown and various scholarships in the weekend event, all non-finalists received a \$600 scholarship for competing in the program.

Both Crook and Metter are preparing for the June 2007 Miss California Program in Fresno.