

RESULTS OF THE DISTRICT 5 FFA AGRISCIENCE FAIR

Wednesday, March 5, 2020 - sponsored by



10 schools participated: Cisne, DuQuoin, Fairfield, Freeburg, Massac County, Mt. Vernon, NCOE, North Clay, Sandoval and Wesclin with 37 projects and 41 students. Thank you to sponsors: Shannon Emmons, Bunge SCF Grain at McLeansboro(\$550). Thank you to Casey Bolin, Program Advisor, Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education, for providing the organization of the event.

Top 5 Projects (based on scoresheet and presentation)

- 1- Freeburg: Cullen Colvin and Matthew Grab, How Stress Impacts Soybean Yields: Analyzing Post-Emergence Herbicide Effects on Soybean Yields
- 2- North Clay: Mckenna Carter, Quite the pH-enomenon : How alterations in pH balance could influence antibiotic dissolution
- 3- Cisne: Sara Timm, Got Steps?
- 4- Cisne: Myles Levi, Vroom Vroom!
- 5- Cisne: Melanie Jordan, Hey Honey!

Individual category winners-

- Animal Systems** – North Clay: Mckenna Carter, Quite the pH-enomenon : How alterations in pH balance could influence antibiotic dissolution
- Environmental Services/Natural Resources Systems** – Fairfield: Sara McGehee, Phosphorus, Too Much of a Good Thing?
- Food Products and Processing Systems** – Cisne: Melanie Jordan, Hey Honey!
- Plant Systems** – Freeburg: Cullen Colvin and Matthew Grab, How Stress Impacts Soybean Yields: Analyzing Post-Emergence Herbicide Effects on Soybean Yields
- Power, Structural and Technical Systems** – Cisne: Levi Myles, Vroom Vroom!
- **Social Science** - Cisne: Abigail Biggs, Eyes on the Road

The top 11 projects received cash awards of: \$50, \$45, \$40, \$35, 5-11 places \$20/each. Each project received a \$5 cash award and each student received a framed certificate.

This event was hosted at Mt. Vernon High School in conjunction with the District 5 FFA Proficiency Awards Judging. The quality of projects and competition by students were very good again this year.

Judges for this event were:

Tom Cotter, Retired Ag Teacher
Kathy Craig, Ag Instructor, Rend Lake College, Ina
Shannon Emmons, Grain Division: Inspect, Grade, Weigh, Bunge North America, McLeansboro
Susan Kleiboeker, AITC Coordinator, Clinton County
Marc Lamczyk, Program Coordinator, Small Farms and Local Food Systems, University of Illinois Extension
Melissa Lamczyk, AITC Coordinator, Franklin County
Joe Prusacki, Director of National Operations Division, USDA-NASS
Bill Waggoner, Agriculture Instructor, Kaskaskia College

Thank you to the agriculture teachers/FFA Advisors for including agriscience fair projects part of agriculture course requirements. **Congratulations to all students participating.**