

STATE PROFICIENCY AWARDS

2025 STATE FINALISTS

Agricultural Communications

Saray Madriz Alcaraz, Madera
Caden McCutchan, Cloverdale
Oliver Popejoy, El Centro-Southwest

Agricultural Education

Lilliana Cortez Job, Lodi
Nathan Hutchinson, Madera-Liberty
Kaycee Van Horn, Santa Maria

Agricultural Mechanics Design/Fabrication

Logan Andrews, Lodi
Adrian Sanchez Venegas, Madera
Trevor Wright, Hollister-San Benito

Agricultural Mechanics Repair/Maintenance Entrepreneurship

Lucas Pulse, Atascadero
Andrew Vasquez, Visalia-Central Valley Christian

Agricultural Mechanics Repair/Maintenance Placement

Alden Hansard, Atwater
Garrett Johnson, Nipomo
Thomas Lamb, Bakersfield-Independence

Agricultural Processing

Gavin Ames, Lakeside-El Capitan
Christopher Castro-Serrano, Greenfield
Macie Richardson, Fresno-Central

Agricultural Sales Entrepreneurship

Syndie Brown, Fallbrook
Gianna Domenichelli, Healdsburg
Anabel Quintana, Lodi-Tokay

Agricultural Sales Placement

Brandon Flores, Gonzales
Payton King, Fairfield-Rodriguez
Gabriel Laymon, Shingle Springs-Ponderosa

Agricultural Services

Addison Bond, Palo Cedro-Foothill
Thomas Lamb, Bakersfield-Independence
Logan Daniel Rose, Galt

Agriscience Research – Animal Systems

Noelani Molina de La Rosa, Davis
Ari Rutman, Gilroy

Agriscience Research – Integrated System

Salyn Meas, Lakeside-El Capitan
Riley Piehl, Santa Rosa
Grant Shannon, Visalia-Central Valley Christian

Agriscience Research – Plant Systems

Juliana Carroll, St. Helena
Abigail Woods, Galt-Liberty Ranch

Beef Production Entrepreneurship

Carson Campbell, Chowchilla
Brody Leo, Merced-Stone Ridge Christian
Peyton Wood, Yreka

Beef Production Placement

Hayley Byrd, Corning
Kirstin Cockrell, Sanger
Nancy Sullivan, Altaville-Bret Harte

Dairy Production Entrepreneurship

Mykel Mull, Chowchilla
Tinnley Pidgeon, Ferndale

Dairy Production Placement

Jackson Alves, Hamilton City-Hamilton
Lauren Silveira, Chowchilla
Mikayla Silveira, Gustine

Diversified Agricultural Production

Jackson Alves, Hamilton City-Hamilton
Nicholas Bonomi, Sanger
Noelani Molina de La Rosa, Davis

Diversified Crop Production Entrepreneurship

Owen Baffunno, Los Banos
Aaron Ramirez, Fresno-Central

Diversified Crop Production Placement

Lexi Forman, St. Helena
Weston LaGrande, Arbuckle-Pierce
Tomas Perez, Mendota

Diversified Horticulture

Sophia Sisil, Madera-Liberty
Gunnar Wiessner, Fallbrook

Diversified Livestock

Riley Piehl, Santa Rosa
Joseph Schohr, Gridley
Lawson Secord, Apple Valley

Environmental Science/Nat Resources

Isaac Callison, Visalia-Central Valley Christian
Paloma Wizikowski, Fullerton-Sunny Hills
Jacob Zuniga, St. Helena

Equine Science Entrepreneurship

Rylee DeMarta, Cloverdale
Betsy Theis, Turlock
Jacey Tweedy, Sanger

Equine Science Placement

Genevieve Atwell, Cottonwood-West Valley
Kaylee Becker, Bakersfield-Highland
Emma Hernandez, Healdsburg

Fiber/Oil Crop

No Applications in this area

Fruit and Nut Production

Kevin Maldonado-Mendez, Santa Maria-Pioneer Valley
Jesus Martinez Diaz, Sebastopol-Analy
Rafael Rodriguez Gaytan, Riverdale

Forage Production

Kyra Anderson, Arroyo Grande
Cody Jonas, Lakeside-El Capitan
Jack Majors, Visalia-Central Valley Christian

Forest Management/Products

Luis David Guerra, Santa Maria

Goat Production

Carson Borba, Atwater
Elizabeth Kessler, Nicolaus-East Nicolaus
Mathew Machado, Madera

Grain Production Placement

Lane Dunbar, Nicolaus-East Nicolaus

Landscape Installation

Christopher Tornero, Madera

Nursery Operations

Shellie Hance, Sebastopol-Analy
Alexa Jimenez Franco, Exeter
Chase Weiland, Wildomar-Elsinore

Outdoor Recreation

Nicolas Bump, Marysville
Riley Phillips, Bishop

Poultry Production

Taleah Lusk, Altaville-Bret Harte
Peter Moir, Lakeside-El Capitan
Izabellah Torres, Bakersfield-Highland

Service Learning

Andrea Guzman-Soto, Santa Maria
Athena Martinez, Lodi-Tokay

Sheep Production

Joseph Schohr, Gridley
Elizabeth Wagster, Atascadero
Zoey Wilkerson, Bakersfield-Independence

Small Animal Production and Care

Dylan Cardey, Atwater
Kristlynn Maddux, Bakersfield-Frontier
Jada Sterling, Wheatland

Specialty Animal Production

Max Garcia, La Habra
Travis Medina, Atwater
Madison Stayer, Palo Cedro-Foothill

Specialty Crop Production

Hayley Ballantyne, Visalia-VTEC
Randy Martinez Vargas, Santa Maria-Pioneer Valley
Rebekah Villalobos, Atwater

Swine Production Entrepreneurship

Lillie Benafield, Livingston
Kallie Loogman, Hanford
Gracie Yost, Gridley

Swine Production Placement

Alex Cabe, Bakerfield-Foothill
Grace Curry, Hughson
Hannah Ross, Grass Valley-Nevada Union

Turf Grass and Landscape Management

Jose Avalos, Galt

Liliana Saldana, Wheatland

Christopher Tornero, Madera

Vegetable Production

Charles Ferguson, Lemoore

Rafael Hernandez, Tulelake

Dulce Hernandez Reyes, Santa Maria-Pioneer
Valley

Veterinary Medicine

Peyton Heermance, Altaville-Bret Harte

Jonah Medina, La Habra

Leslie Rendon, Madera-Liberty

Wildlife Management

Madison Stidman, Visalia-VTEC