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**STATE WINNERS IN THE GRAIN PRODUCTION PLACEMENT
PROFICIENCY RECOGNIZED AT THE 97th GEORGIA FFA STATE
CONVENTION**

MACON, Ga. – The winner of the Grain Production Placement Proficiency was recognized at the 97th Georgia FFA State Convention held at the Macon April 24-26, 2025.

Gavin Oliver of Wayne County placed first in the proficiency competition.

Proficiency awards are granted to FFA members who have excelled in their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE). Students who participate in the Grain Production Placement acquire career experience through training and working alongside industry professionals.

The Grain Production Placement Proficiency was sponsored at the state level by the Georgia Plant Food Educational Society.

All proficiency winners received a plaque and a cash award. State winners receive \$100, as well as \$500 travel money to attend the National FFA Convention. Additionally, the advisor of the state winner also received \$100 cash. Second place winners received \$50, and third place winners received \$25.

The National FFA Organization, formerly known as the Future Farmers of America, changed its name in 1988 to reflect the growth and diversity of agriculture. There are nearly 940,000 FFA members nationwide. The Georgia Association has more than 80,000 members, making it the third largest Association in the nation. The FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success, through agricultural education.

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