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**STATE WINNERS IN THE VETERINARY SCIENCE CAREER
DEVELOPMENT EVENT RECOGNIZED AT THE 97th GEORGIA FFA STATE
CONVENTION**

MACON, Ga. – Winners of the Veterinary Science Career Development Event (CDE) were recognized at the 97th Georgia FFA State Convention held at the Macon Centreplex on April 23-26, 2025.

In the senior division, Abigail Griffin of Berrien County was the high-scoring individual, followed by Amaya Nebel and Chloe Hiett of Creekview placing second and third respectively. The senior team state winner was Creekview, followed by Camden County in second place and Denmark in third.

The junior division high individual was Rishita Kunam of Denmark, followed by Addy Parker of Rutland and Anniston Batchelor from Veterans FFA placing second and third respectively. The junior team state winner was Hahira, with second place going to Denmark, and third place to Rutland.

CDE and LDE awards are granted to FFA members and teams who have exhibited premier leadership, personal growth, and career success in a variety of competitions. The Veterinary Science CDE will test students' knowledge and skills in various aspects of the Veterinary Science industry. The team event includes identification of equipment, parasites, and animal breeds, as well as a handling and restraining practicum, a clinical procedure practicum, and a written exam involving knowledge of the veterinary science field.

The Veterinary Science Career Development Event was sponsored by Georgia Veterinary Medical Association.

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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