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**STATE WINNERS IN THE GRAIN PRODUCTION PROFICIENCY
RECOGNIZED AT THE 98th GEORGIA FFA STATE CONVENTION**

MACON, Ga. – The winner of the Grain Production Proficiency was recognized at the 98th Georgia FFA State Convention held at the Macon April 22-25, 2026.

Kaleb Baker of Worth County placed first in the proficiency competition. Placing second was Chase Hughes of Fullington Academy.

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

The Grain Production Proficiency was sponsored at the state level by Support Georgia Agriculture.

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 over 1 Million 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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