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MARYLAND FFA FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES RECIPIENTS OF THE GIFT OF BLUE

(HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND) – April 5, 2022- The Maryland FFA Foundation is pleased to announce their annual recipients of the Gift of Blue Program. This program benefits those deserving and active FFA members in grades 9-11. Each chapter is eligible to request up to three FFA jackets at a cost of \$10/jacket.

This year, 66 students received their own FFA jacket and matching tie/scarf in a presentation during a ceremony at the State Spring Judging Event on April 2, 2022 at Westminster High School. The event hosted over 460 members, advisors, parents and volunteers. The Maryland FFA Foundation has sponsored this generous event for the past seven years awarding 648 jackets to deserving members totaling over \$33,000 through their foundation.

Region 1

Boonsboro: Destiny Hurt, Andrew Penwell, Hanna Santora
Boonsboro Middle: Stephen Lowe, Reagan Ritchie, Emma Sklarew-Kneessi
Clear Spring: Morgan Bradley, Blake Bussard, Chevy Schuchart
Washington County Tech: Jay Farley, Riley Mellott, Caleb Walls

Region 2

Catoctin: Annalise Abruzzese, Alyssa Costa, Trinity Spidle
Frederick: Juliana Brawner, Abigail Effland, Angelina Sotela
Oakdale: Olivia Adams, Norah Harriger, Hannah Kanode
Tuscarora: Megan Harley, Christina Lockett, Ally Sewell
Urbana: Anthony Terselic, L. J. Varley
Walkersville: Sage Grossnickle, Jacob Inskeep, Lilly Sheetz

Region 3

Calvert: Isabella Hickman, Yonalyn Medina-Price, Joshlyn Sears
Gwynn Park: Tyler Aldrich, Kaelyn Bush, Ethan Smith
Howard County: Sydnie Cobb, Bridget Duffy, Lilliana Sonpar
Maurice J. McDonough: Trevor Bryant, Hunter Cummiskey, Isabel Diaz
Southern: Molly Dowling, Lauren Mays, Clark Sutton

Region 4

Francis Scott Key: David Geiman, Andrew Main

Liberty: Jack Brumbalow, Maddie Maggio, Megan Roberts

Manchester Valley: Marie McCullough, Mariah Kelly, Madi Kilgore

North Harford: Grace Conklin, Madelyn Koellner, Lauren Richardson

South Carroll: Sam Righter, Makala Swope

Westminster: Emilee Barnes, Mara Leone, Tyler Witherspoon

Winters Mill: Ava Demyanovich, Kylee Passmann, D. Michael Wilt

Region 5

Caroline County: Carlee Eierman, Darren Sedgwick, Tucker Strong

The Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation is a 501c3 non-governmental nonprofit established in 1989. Through the Maryland FFA, teacher workshops, scholarships, grants, Mobile Labs and Showcases, and revenues from the Ag Tag license plate sales, the Foundation pursues its mission to promote the understanding and appreciation of the importance of agriculture in everyone's daily lives. The Maryland FFA Association's staff team is partially funded through a \$40,000 federal Perkins Grant facilitated by the Maryland State Department of Education. The Maryland FFA Association has 2,000 members in 42 Chapters throughout the State.

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