



Congratulations to Black

Hawk College East Campus students and coaches for winning the [2022 North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture \(NACTA\) Judging Conference](#) Sweepstakes Award!

This marks the 13th time Black Hawk College has garnered the top prize at the [national judging conference](#). BHC students brought home the Sweepstakes Award in 1981-85, 1989, 2009, 2014 and 2016-19.

The 39-member BHC team won by having the highest combined team score for two-year schools. The second-place team was Northeast Community College from Norfolk, NE. Illinois State University won for the four-year-schools.

The four-day conference was held for the first time since 2019. About 200 students from 17 two-year schools competed.

Black Hawk College entered teams in nine of the 13 contests. To be eligible for the Sweepstakes Award this year, a college had to enter at least seven contests.

Team awards:

- 1st Place - Ag Communications, Ag Computers, Dairy Judging, Equine Management, Livestock Judging, Livestock Management and Soils Judging
- 2nd Place - Ag Business
- 4th Place - Knowledge Bowl

BHC East Campus students who competed in the 2022 NACTA Judging Conference:

- Grace Angotti - Freedom, WI
- Eden Basford - Pennville, IN
- Ross Brumbaugh - Laotto, IN
- Robby Burchett - Jonesville, VA
- Tori Crisp - Union Grove, WI

- Katie Elmhirst - Indian River, Ontario
- Dawson Firlus - Mauston, WI
- Megan Fowler - Aledo, IL
- Coby Frey - Upper Sandusky, OH
- Trenton Hammerand - Epworth, IA
- Denton Homan - Botkins, OH
- Chase Howell - Laura, IL
- Spencer Jack - Stronghurst, IL
- Brooke Kiefer - West Bend, WI
- Conner Knudson - Morristown, IN
- Hunter Knudson - Morristown, IN
- Cal Larson - Altona, IL
- McKenzie Layton - Pocasset, OK
- Hannah Lemay - Tuscola, IL
- Alex Linder - Norwalk, OH
- Maggie McStay - Sheridan, WY
- Logan Mehling - Powell, WY
- Blake Moeller - West Point, IA
- Karson Patton - Frankfurt, IN
- Gabrielle Ralston - Resaca, GA
- Jazmine Ralston - Resaca, GA
- Olivia Richardson - Connersville, IN
- Logan Rozenboom - Bussey, IA
- Colton Russell - Berwick, IL
- Dillon Sheiss - Larwill, IN
- Josie Spratt - Purcell, OK
- Savannah Stamann - Brimfield, IL
- Josh Starner - Rushville, OH
- Brianna Stockwell - Dowagiac, MI
- Chevy Vaske - Glencoe, KY
- Kaili Weiner - Ontonagon, MI
- Cody Wick - Gratiot, WI
- Carli Wright - Bradford, IL
- Gunnar Wuebben - Albany, IL

[View list of BHC 2022 NACTA awards.](#)

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Thanks and congratulations to the Black Hawk College coaches:

- Dr. Blake Bloomberg - Dairy Judging and Livestock Judging
- Drew Cotton - Ag Business
- Selena Finn - Equine Management and Ag Computers
- Tim Hubbard - Livestock Judging, Livestock Management and Knowledge Bowl
- Andrew Larson - Soils Judging
- Dr. Colleen Lewis - Ag Communications

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture - a two-year college that is a member of the University of Nebraska system - [hosted the conference](#) in North Platte, NE.

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