

# **TEXAS CONSERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM**

## **2026 AREA 2 WINNERS**

### **OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

#### **First Place**

Kerr County SWCD #217 , Jack Clarke, III, Mountain Home

#### **Runner-Up**

Llano County SWCD #233, Steve Haverlah, Llano

### **CONSERVATION RANCHER**

#### **First Place**

Charles McGuire, Junction  
Upper Llanos SWCD #225

#### **Runner-Up**

Doug Pfeffer, Mountain Home  
Kerr County SWCD #217

### **CONSERVATION FARMER**

#### **First Place**

Fuchs Farms, Eola  
Tom Green SWCD #248

#### **Runner-up**

Wilbert Braden, Midland  
Glasscock County SWCD #251

**ESSAY CONTEST (ages 13 and under)**

**First Place**

Kenzie Davis, Utopia  
Bandera SWCD #229

**2nd Place**

Jesse Zinsmeister, Doss  
Gillespie County SWCD #220

**3rd Place**

Caitlyn Burch, Menard  
Menard SWCD #215

**ESSAY CONTEST (ages 14-18)**

**First Place**

Ezequiel Hernandez, Menard  
Menard SWCD #215

**2nd Place**

Savannah Brown, Llano  
Llano County SWCD #233

**3rd Place**

Aliah Saiz, Menard  
Menard SWCD #215

**POSTER CONTEST (K-2<sup>ND</sup> Grade)**

**First place**

Jaxson Villanueva, Brackettville  
West Nueces-Las Moras SWCD #236

**2nd place**

Melanie Gallegos, Merkel  
Middle Clear Fork SWCD #206

**3rd place**

Adalynn Salazar, Brackettville  
West Nueces-Las Moras SWCD #236

**POSTER CONTEST (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

**First place**

Marisol Casas, Miles  
Tom Green SWCD #248

**2nd place**

Scarlett Smith, Big Spring  
Howard SWCD #243

**3rd place**

Hayzen Halfmann, Garden City  
Glasscock County SWCD #251

**FRIEND OF CONSERVATION**

Katy Hoskins – Rancher - Sweetwater  
Nolan County SWCD #245

**Runner-up**

Native Plant Society of Texas – Boerne Chapter - Boerne  
Kendall SWCD #216

**CONSERVATION TEACHER**

**First place**

Cheri Adair - Second Grade - Merkel Elementary, Merkel, TX  
Middle Clear Fork SWCD #206

**WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST**

**First Place**

Harris Ranch, Uvalde  
Nueces-Frio-Sabinal SWCD #221

**Runner-up**

Baker 3 Ranch, Rocksprings  
Upper Nueces-Frio SWCD #238

