

# **TEXAS CONSERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM**

## **2024 Area 4 WINNERS**

### **OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

#### **First Place**

Upshur-Gregg# 417 - Janet Knight, Gilmer, TX

### **CONSERVATION RANCHER**

#### **First Place**

Steve and Cindy Emmons - Fairfield, TX  
Freestone County# 424

#### **Runner-Up**

Tietjen Family - Bogata, TX  
Red River County# 423

### **CONSERVATION FARMER**

#### **First Place**

Michael Blanchard - Nome, TX  
Coastal# 432

#### **Runner-up**

Terry Wright - Gilmer, TX  
Upshur-Gregg# 417

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

#### **First Place**

Lorelai Croteau - Fairfield, TX  
Freestone County #424

#### **2nd Place**

Javonte Denson - Dekalb, TX  
Bowie County #408

**3rd Place**

Kiersan Weinman - Buffalo, TX  
Freestone County# 424

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

**First Place**

Adolfo Mendez - Dekalb, TX  
Bowie County# 408

**2nd Place**

Karlee White - Deport, TX  
Red River# 423

**3rd Place**

Cole Triplett - Dekalb, TX  
Bowie County# 408

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

**First place**

Elizabeth Gillem - Paris, TX  
Lamar# 415

**2nd place**

DeeAndra Pierce - Centerville, TX  
Bedias Creek# 428

**3rd place**

Jessica Coffey - Centerville, TX  
Bedias Creek# 428

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

**First place**

Payton Holmes - Normangee, TX  
Bedias Creek# 428

**2nd place**

Oliver Estrada - Paris, TX  
Lamar# 415

**3rd place**

Bryce Phillips - Normangee, TX  
Bedias Creek# 428

**CONSERVATION TEACHER**

**First place**

Braylon Session - Highschool FFA  
Longview Highschool in Longview, TX  
Upshur-Gregg# 417

**Runner-up**

Amanda Low Alto Elementary School in Alto, TX  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher  
Cherokee County# 427

**FORESTRY CONSERVATIONIST – (AREA IV ONLY)**

**First Place**

David Little - Rusk, TX  
Cherokee County# 427

**Runner-up**

Kent Evans - Lake Jackson, TX  
Longleaf# 439