

TEXAS CONSERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM 2023 AREA 3 WINNERS

1. OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION DISTRICT

First Place

District's Name: Winter Garden SWCD #326

Chairman's Name: Mario Escobar

Chairman's Hometown: Crystal City

Runner-Up

District's Name: Kleberg-Kenedy SWCD #356

Chairman's Name: John Prukop

Chairman's Hometown: Kingsville

2. CONSERVATION RANCHER

First Place

Winner's Name: Meek Brothers Hometown: Victoria

District Submitting Entry: Victoria SWCD #346

Runner-Up

Winner's Name: Ramon D. Hinojosa III Hometown: Rockport

District Submitting Entry: Zapata SWCD #335

3. CONSERVATION FARMER

First Place

Winner's Name: Clay Ohrt Hometown: Mission Valley

District Submitting Entry: Victoria SWCD #346

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Runner-Up

Winner's Name: Daniel Berglund

Hometown: El Campo

District Submitting Entry: Matagorda County SWCD #316

4. ESSAY CONTEST (ages 13 and under)

First Place

Winner's Name: Brody Lawhon

Hometown: Bay City

District Submitting Entry: Matagorda County SWCD #316

Second Place

Winner's Name: Giovanni Medois

Hometown: San Antonio

District Submitting Entry: Alamo SWCD #330

Third Place

Winner's Name: Jennifer Escobar

Hometown: Zapata

District Submitting Entry: Zapata SWCD #335

5. ESSAY CONTEST (ages 14-18)

First Place

Winner's Name: Shawn Dukas

Hometown: Stockdale

District Submitting Entry: Wilson County SWCD #301

Second Place

Winner's Name: Ella Pineda

Hometown: La Grange

District Submitting Entry: Fayette SWCD #341

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Third Place

Winner's Name: Katelyn Krenek

Hometown: New Ulm

District Submitting Entry: Austin County SWCD #347

6. POSTER CONTEST (Kindergarten – 2nd Grade)

First Place

Winner's Name: Drew Schiwart

Hometown: Rockport

District Submitting Entry: San Patricio SWCD #324

Second Place

Winner's Name: Lincoln Moreno

Hometown: Kingsville

District Submitting Entry: Kleberg-Kenedy SWCD #356

Third Place

Winner's Name: Adriana Gonzalez

Hometown: Kingsville

District Submitting Entry: Kleberg-Kenedy SWCD #356

7. POSTER CONTEST (3rd Grade – 6th Grade)

First Place

Winner's Name: Emme Davila

Hometown: Inez

District Submitting Entry: Jackson #336

Second Place

Winner's Name: Camila Aguilar

Hometown: Stockdale

District Submitting Entry: Wilson County SWCD #301

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Third Place

Winner's Name: Brynlee Berger

Hometown: Schulenburg

District Submitting Entry: Fayette SWCD #341

8. FRIEND OF CONSERVATION

First Place

Winner's Name: Texas Master Naturalists Coastal Prairie Chapter

Hometown: Fort Bend, Wharton, and Waller Counties

Winner's Title or Occupation: Volunteer Group

District Submitting Entry: Coastal Plains SWCD #317

Runner-Up

Winner's Name: Gary Loest

Hometown: Victoria

Winner's Title or Occupation: Victoria Livestock Show

District Submitting Entry: Victoria SWCD #346

9. CONSERVATION TEACHER

First Place

Winner's Name: Joslyn Drozd

Hometown: Mission Valley

Title or Grade Taught: 5th Grade Science and Math

Winner's School and Location: Mission Valley Elementary School, Mission Valley

District Submitting Entry: Victoria SWCD #346

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Runner-Up

Winner's Name: Annette and Jayson Hill Hometown: East Bernard

Title or Grade Taught: High School Ag Teachers

Winner's School and Location: East Bernard High School, East Bernard

District Submitting Entry: Wharton County SWCD #342

10. WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST

First Place

Winner's Name: Pete and Patricia Dlugosch Hometown: Yorktown

District Submitting Entry: DeWitt County SWCD #339

Runner-Up

Winner's Name: Iris Ballew Hometown: San Antonio

District Submitting Entry: Burleson County SWCD #358