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Perrier, Southwind District Team Win Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

Greenwood County 4-H Member Lyle Perrier and the Southwind District 4-H Team topped the 2024 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes Aug. 17-18.

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Approximately 300 Kansas 4-H members from 66 counties participated in the 2024 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes Aug. 17-18. The event was hosted by the Kansas State University Department of Animal Sciences and Industry.

Throughout the weekend, 4-H members participated in the state livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skillathon and livestock quiz bowl.

Individual 4-H members who participated in all three activities (livestock and meat judging and skillathon) were entered in the Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes. Lyle Perrier from Greenwood County was named the 2024 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes High Individual for the second year in a row.

Also placing in the top 10 were:

2nd – Reagan McDaniel, Southwind District

3rd – Hayden Stubbs, Sunflower District

4th – Lillian Hulse, Central Kansas District

5th – Hannah Perrier, Greenwood County

6th – Brady Hoffman, Sedgwick County

7th – Kansas Lange, Pawnee County

8th – Tate Crystal, Southwind District

9th – Maggie Chandler, Wildcat District

10th – Kole Harris, Wildcat District

Southwind District No. 3 won the Livestock Sweepstakes Champion Team Award with the best combined team performance in livestock judging, livestock skillathon, livestock quiz bowl and meat judging. Teams in the top five included: Sunflower District No. 1, second; Wildcat District No. 1, third; Sedgwick County, fourth; and Southwind No. 1, fifth.

Individual and team placings are posted to the Kansas State Youth Livestock Program website <https://bit.ly/sweepstakesresults> and the Judging Card website *Judgingcard.com*.

The team champions for the livestock skillathon and livestock quiz bowl will represent Kansas at their respective national 4-H contest, all of which will occur later this fall. Again this year, Kansas will be represented by an all-star team at the national 4-H livestock judging contest in Louisville. Based on their performance in the state livestock judging contest, a talented group of 15 young people were selected to advance to the team selection process. This will include a series of livestock evaluation workshops and opportunities provided by the K-State Livestock Judging Team. This is the third year Kansas will be represented by an all-star team at the national 4-H meat judging contest during the American Royal. The top 17 kids will participate in several educational opportunities and meat evaluation workshops with the K-State Meat Judging Team throughout the fall as part of the all-star team selection process.

The Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes program is also sponsored by Lyons Ranch Family, Kansas Beef Council, Kansas Pork Association, Kansas State University College of Agriculture, Ag Tech, Judd Ranch and *Farm Talk*.

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Cutline for Top 10 Sweepstakes Individuals:

Top 10 Livestock Sweepstakes Individuals pictured (l to r) are: Lyle Perrier, Greenwood County, first; Reegan McDaniel, Southwind District, second; Hayden Stubbs, Sunflower District, third; Lillian Hulse, Central Kansas District, fourth; Hannah Perrier, Greenwood County, fifth; Brady Hoffman, Sedgwick County, sixth; Kansas Lange, Pawnee County, seventh; Tate Crystal, Southwind District, eighth; Maggie Chandler, Wildcat District, ninth; and Kole Harris, Wildcat District, 10th.

Cutline for Champion Sweepstakes Team:

2024 Champion Sweepstakes Team representing Southwind District. Pictured (l to r) are: Tate Crystal, Kyser Nemecek, Reegan McDaniel, Marley Sutton and Hailey Shadden.