



**SC Governor's School
for Agriculture**

AT JOHN DE LA HOWE

**FY 2023-2024 BUDGET HEARING
HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS
SUBCOMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION**



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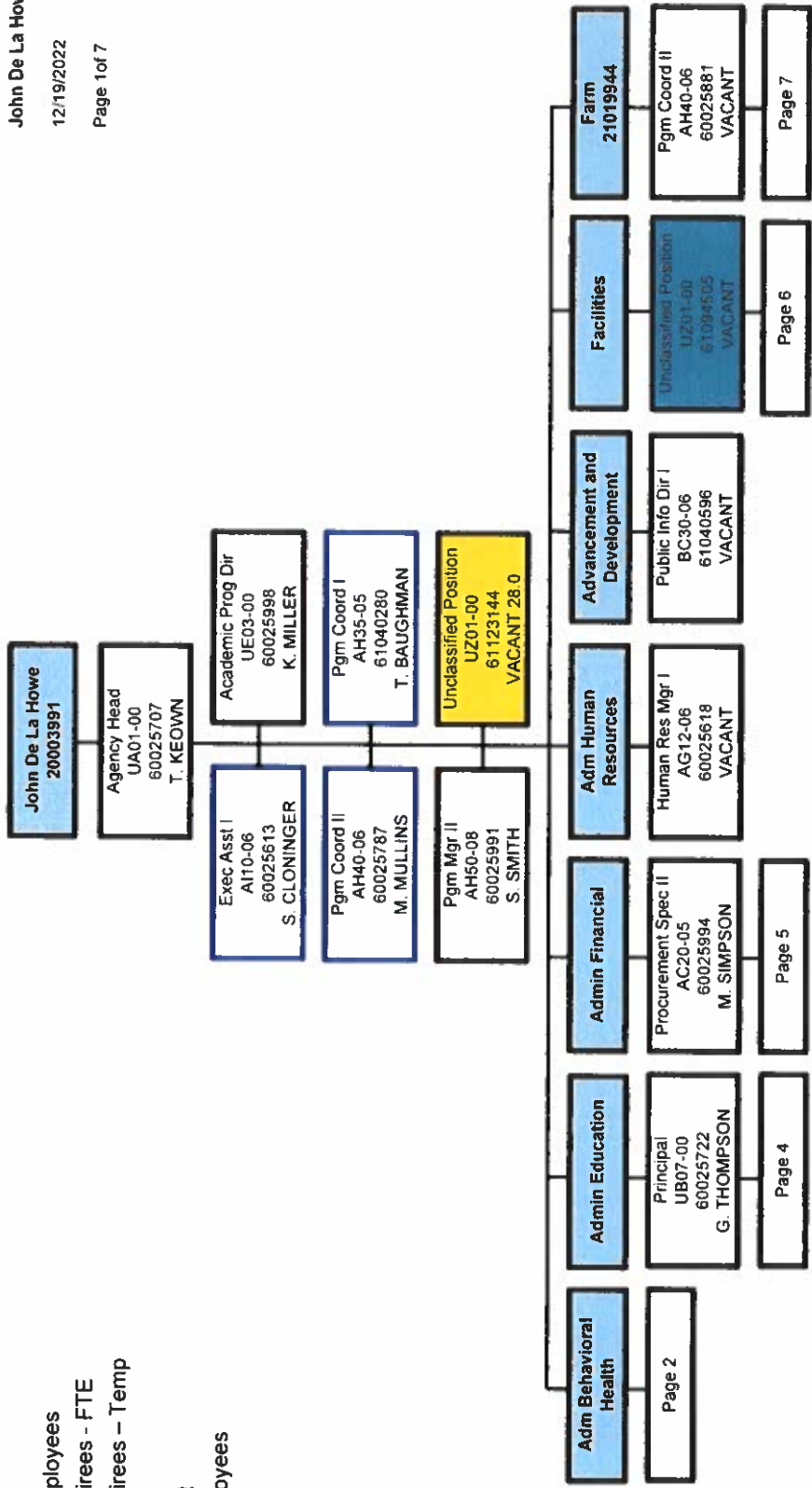
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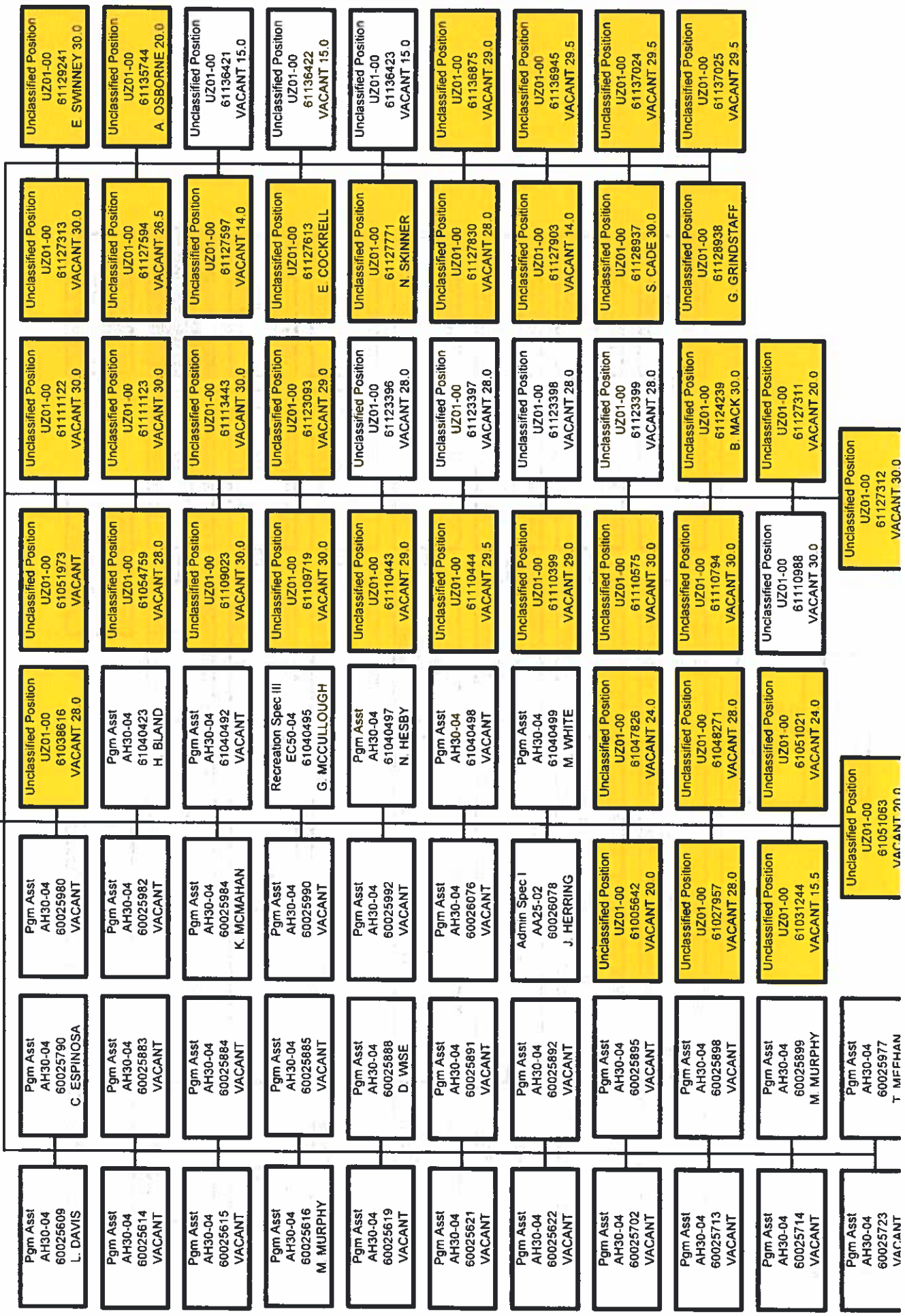


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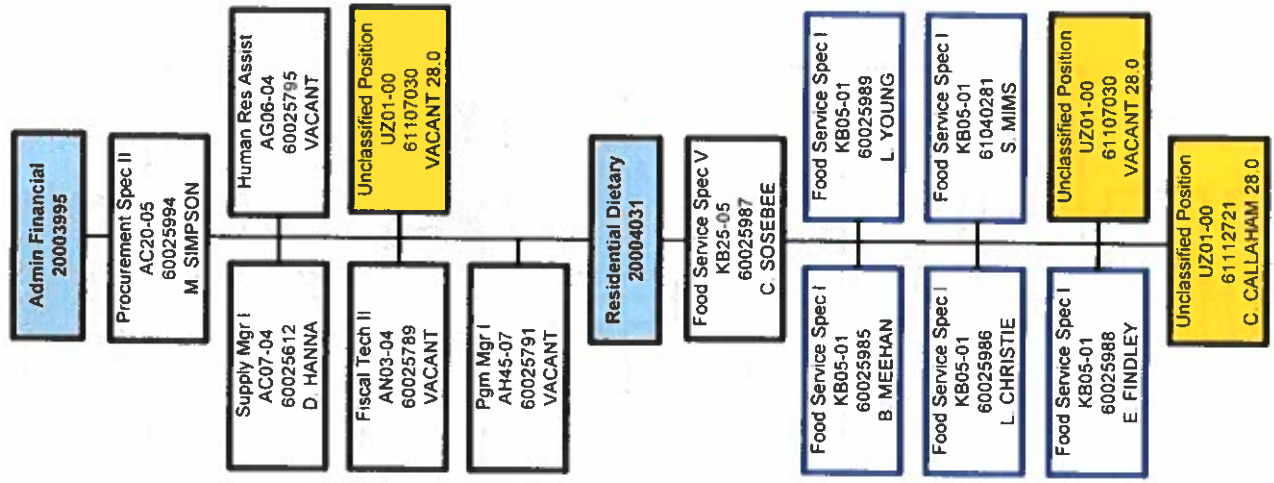
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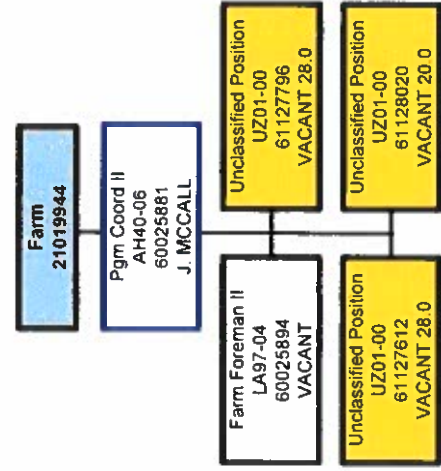
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Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe
BUDGET REQUEST SUMMARY
FY 2023-2024 BUDGET

Priority	Title	Description	Recurring Funds			Non-Recurring Funds	Capital Request	Total Request
			General Fund	Other Funds	Federal Funds			
1	Operating Request - Campus Expansion	We can't grow our agency and student body without an increase in our recurring operational budget. Our current budget isn't sustainable for growth. We will need additional staff for the new residential halls, plus the operational budget for each of those three buildings.	2,000,000			2,000,000.00		2,000,000.00
2	De La Howe Hall Renovation	For our student body to grow, we MUST have this building renovated. We are not able to add many more students until we have a place to educate them. The current building they're in also needs renovating and is not ADA compliant. We will also be able to host statewide FFA and 4H events in the auditorium. We can host agricultural groups such as Farm Bureau, as well. There is already interest in using the auditorium as a small theater for community plays.					2,100,000	2,100,000.00
3	Agriculture Shop	This shop would allow our kids to be taught agricultural mechanics and welding in a state-of-the-art facility. They would be able to leave our school and go right into the workforce with great jobs with companies like John Deere and Case. The facility that we are currently using is a temporary solution until we are able to build this new shop.					1,300,000	1,300,000.00
4	Campground on Lake Thurmond	SC Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe wants to utilize the beautiful 3 miles of shoreline we have on the Strom Thurmond Lake. This would allow people from all over the Southeast to enjoy our campus. We have already had interest from the equine community. Along with the campground we have over 14 miles of trails throughout our 1310 acre campus. JDLH already has county water run out to this section of campus. We have primitive cabins in place now but would like to add some primitive camp sites. This project would include a beach area and designated swimming area. In conjunction with the campground JDLH hosted 16 summer camps this past year. This would allow our camp director to have more options with JDLH summer camps. We have already discussed the possibility with the Corps of Engineers and received a verbal blessing to request this project.					2,500,000	2,500,000.00
Proviso Changes:			2,000,000	0	0	2,000,000	0	7,900,000
FY 2023	Renumbered	Proviso Text	Explanation					
7.1		7.1 (JDLHS - Status Offender - Carry Forward) Unexpended status offender funds distributed to the Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe from the Department of Education may be carried forward and used for the same purpose.	Act 94 of 2021 appropriated \$346,473 to the Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe (JDLHS) in lieu of appropriating the funding in the Department of Education's budget and transferring the funding to JDLHS. As a result of this direct appropriation, the proviso to carry forward this funding is no longer needed.					
7.3		7.3 (JDLHS - Deferred Salaries - Carried Forward) The Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe is authorized to carry forward into the current fiscal year the amount of deferred salaries and employer contributions earned in the prior fiscal year for non-twelve-month employees. These deferred funds are not to be included or part of any other authorized carry forward amount.	This proviso no longer applies to the school and is no longer used to carry forward funds between fiscal years.					

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**Fiscal Year FY 2023-2024
Agency Budget Plan**

FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

**OPERATING
REQUESTS
(FORM B1)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.

**NON-RECURRING
REQUESTS
(FORM B2)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.

**CAPITAL
REQUESTS
(FORM C)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.

**PROVISOS
(FORM D)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
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Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Email</i>
PRIMARY CONTACT:	Timothy Keown	(864) 391-0413	TIMOTHY.KEOWN@DELAHOWE.SC.GOV
SECONDARY CONTACT:			

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2023-2024 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	<i>Agency Director</i>	<i>Board or Commission Chair</i>
SIGN/DATE:		
TYPE/PRINT NAME:		

This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.

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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY

1

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Operating Request – Campus Expansion

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT

General: \$2,000,000
Federal: \$0
Other: \$0
Total: \$2,000,000

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

NEW POSITIONS

0.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

Mark "X" for all that apply:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Consulted DTO during development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Education, Training, and Human Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Families
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government and Citizens

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS

Strategy 2.1. We can't grow our student population until the final three residential halls are complete. Then we will need to hire additional residential life staff, custodial staff, and the general maintenance of these additional buildings. With current inflation and deferred maintenance here on this campus, we need an additional recurring \$2,000,000 annually to sustain operations and grow.

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

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FORM C – CAPITAL REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY

2

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

De La Howe Hall Renovation

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT

\$2,100,000

How much is requested for this project in FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

CPIP PRIORITY

1 of 3

Identify the project's CPIP plan year and priority number, along with the first year in which the project was included in the agency's CPIP. If not included in the agency's CPIP, please provide an explanation. If the project involves a request for appropriated state funding, briefly describe the agency's contingency plan in the event that state funding is not made available in the amount requested.

OTHER APPROVALS

Phase II was approved by JBRC in the amount of \$6,600,000. Since this project was funded, the overall cost estimates have increased due to inflation, resulting in an estimated project increase totaling \$2,100,000. We are asking for an increase in the budget.

What approvals have already been obtained? Are there additional approvals that must be secured in order for the project to succeed? (Institutional board, JBRC, SFAA, etc.)

LONG-TERM PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY

We expect this building to give us 30 years of service. The last renovation was done in the 1970s, so, it is way past due. We will need to request additional funding in FY 24 to operate the building since it has been vacant for so long.

What other funds have already been invested in this project (source type, amount, timeframe)? Will other capital and/or operating funds for this project be requested in the future? If so, how much, and in which fiscal years? Has a source for those funds been identified secured? What is the agency's expectation with regard to additional annual costs or savings associated with this capital improvement? What source of funds will be impacted by those costs or savings? What is the expected useful life of the capital improvement?

De La Howe Hall will have an enormous impact on our school, community, and even statewide. This will allow our students to have a safe and secure building for their education. We will have an auditorium to host school, community, and statewide events. McCormick County does not have a community center, and this will allow us to host events sponsored by our community. This building is situated in the middle of our campus and is the focal point. DLH Hall will allow our alumni group who grew up here as an orphanage to return to campus and celebrate the resurrection of De La Howe Hall.

For our student body to grow, we MUST have this building renovated. We are not able to add many more students until we have a place to educate them. The current building they're in also needs renovating and is not ADA compliant.

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FORM C – CAPITAL REQUEST

**AGENCY
PRIORITY**

3

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Agriculture Shop

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT

\$1,300,000

How much is requested for this project in FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

CPIP PRIORITY

2 of 3

Identify the project's CPIP plan year and priority number, along with the first year in which the project was included in the agency's CPIP. If not included in the agency's CPIP, please provide an explanation. If the project involves a request for appropriated state funding, briefly describe the agency's contingency plan in the event that state funding is not made available in the amount requested.

**OTHER
APPROVALS**

N/A

What approvals have already been obtained? Are there additional approvals that must be secured in order for the project to succeed? (Institutional board, JBRC, SFAA, etc.)

**LONG-TERM
PLANNING AND
SUSTAINABILITY**

We have not invested any funds in this project. This project will only be funded by state appropriated funds. JDLH has built the annual operating cost into the FY24 budget submission.

What other funds have already been invested in this project (source type, amount, timeframe)? Will other capital and/or operating funds for this project be requested in the future? If so, how much, and in which fiscal years? Has a source for those funds been identified secured? What is the agency's expectation with regard to additional annual costs or savings associated with this capital improvement? What source of funds will be impacted by those costs or savings? What is the expected useful life of the capital improvement?

Our goal here at the SC Governor's School for Agriculture is to offer the best educational program in the nation for Agricultural Education. We strive everyday as educators to push our students to learn the different pathways of agriculture. Agricultural Mechanics is a vital part of Agricultural Education. This industry is in desperate need of mechanics and welders. This shop would allow our kids to be taught in a state-of-the-art facility. They would be able to leave our school and go right into the workforce with great jobs with companies like John Deere and Case. The facility that we are currently using is a temporary solution until we are able to build this new shop.

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FORM C – CAPITAL REQUEST

**AGENCY
PRIORITY**

4

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Campground on Lake Thurmond

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT

\$2,500,000

How much is requested for this project in FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

CPIP PRIORITY

3 of 3

Identify the project's CPIP plan year and priority number, along with the first year in which the project was included in the agency's CPIP. If not included in the agency's CPIP, please provide an explanation. If the project involves a request for appropriated state funding, briefly describe the agency's contingency plan in the event that state funding is not made available in the amount requested.

**OTHER
APPROVALS**

N/A

What approvals have already been obtained? Are there additional approvals that must be secured in order for the project to succeed? (Institutional board, JBRC, SFAA, etc.)

**LONG-TERM
PLANNING AND
SUSTAINABILITY**

JDLH has not invested any funds in this project. JDLH could maintain this space with our new proposed budget for FY24.

What other funds have already been invested in this project (source type, amount, timeframe)? Will other capital and/or operating funds for this project be requested in the future? If so, how much, and in which fiscal years? Has a source for those funds been identified secured? What is the agency's expectation with regard to additional annual costs or savings associated with this capital improvement? What source of funds will be impacted by those costs or savings? What is the expected useful life of the capital improvement?

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FORM D – PROVISO REVISION REQUEST

NUMBER 7.1
Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").

TITLE JDLHS: Status Offender Carry Forward
Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.

BUDGET PROGRAM N/A
Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.

RELATED BUDGET REQUEST N/A
Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2023-2024? If so, cite it here.

REQUESTED ACTION Delete
Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.

OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED None.
Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?

SUMMARY & EXPLANATION

Act 94 of 2021 appropriated \$346,473 to the Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe (JDLHS) in lieu of appropriating the funding in the Department of Education's budget and transferring the funding to JDLHS. As a result of this direct appropriation, the proviso to carry forward this funding is no longer needed.

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FORM D – PROVISIO REVISION REQUEST

NUMBER

7.3

Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").

TITLE

JDLHS: Deferred Salaries Carried Forward

Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.

BUDGET PROGRAM

N/A

Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.

RELATED BUDGET REQUEST

Is this request associated with a budget request you have submitted for FY 2023-2024? If so, cite it here.

REQUESTED ACTION

Delete

Choose from: Add, Delete, Amend, or Codify.

OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED

None.

Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?

This proviso no longer applies to the school and is no longer used to carry forward funds between fiscal years.

SUMMARY & EXPLANATION

Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.

None

FISCAL IMPACT

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

~~**7.3. (JDLHS: Deferred Salaries Carried Forward) The Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe is authorized to carry forward into the current fiscal year the amount of deferred salaries and employer contributions earned in the prior fiscal year for non-twelve month employees. These deferred funds are not to be included or part of any other authorized carry forward amount.**~~

**PROPOSED
PROVISO TEXT**

Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.

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FORM E – AGENCY COST SAVINGS AND GENERAL FUND REDUCTION CONTINGENCY PLAN

TITLE Agency Cost Savings and General Fund Reduction Contingency Plan

AMOUNT \$167,132
What is the General Fund 3% reduction amount? This amount should correspond to the reduction spreadsheet prepared by EBO.

ASSOCIATED FTE REDUCTIONS None
How many FTEs would be reduced in association with this General Fund reduction?

PROGRAM / ACTIVITY IMPACT
This reduction could affect hiring new Residential Advisors the three new halls that are being renovated. It could also affect purchasing modern farm equipment, school busses, and a general reduction in our agricultural educational operation.
What programs or activities are supported by the General Funds identified?

SUMMARY
If we had a 3% reduction, we would have to limit our school's positive growth. This campus is 1310 acres with 68 structures to maintain. We are renovating three residential halls this year and if we had this reduction we wouldn't be able to hire Residential Advisors to staff those buildings which leads to zero student growth. A reduction would also limit our land management which is our agricultural education lab.

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FORM F – REDUCING COST AND BURDEN TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

TITLE

Shared Services Agreement with the Department of Administration

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

EXPECTED SAVINGS TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

\$200,000

What is the expected savings to South Carolina's businesses and citizens that is generated by this proposal? The savings could be related to time or money.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

Mark "X" for all that apply:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Repeal or revision of regulations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

METHOD OF CALCULATION

If we are allowed to continue to use the Shared Services agreement for our Finance and HR roles, we can save the salary plus fringe of a CFO, HR director, and an HR assistant.

Describe the method of calculation for determining the expected cost or time savings to businesses or citizens.

REDUCTION OF FEES OR FINES

None

Which fees or fines does the agency intend to reduce? What was the fine or fee revenue for the previous fiscal year? What was the associated program expenditure for the previous fiscal year? What is the enabling authority for the issuance of the fee or fine?

REDUCTION OF REGULATION

None

Which regulations does the agency intend to amend or delete? What is the enabling authority for the regulation?

SUMMARY

In March of 2022, we entered into a shared services agreement with the State Department of Administration for our Finance role(s). In April of 2021 we entered into a shared services agreement for our HR roles. This agreement has been financially a great arrangement. We want to continue this agreement which we believe saves funds and also we have a better service for those functions.

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**Fiscal Year FY 2023-2024
 Agency Budget Plan**

FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

**OPERATING
 REQUESTS
 (FORM B1)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
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**NON-RECURRING
 REQUESTS
 (FORM B2)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.

**CAPITAL
 REQUESTS
 (FORM C)**

For FY 2023-2024, my agency is (mark "X"):	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not requesting any changes.

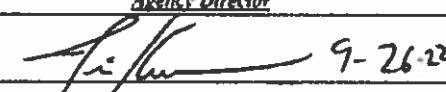
**PROVISOS
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	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
PRIMARY CONTACT:	Timothy Keown	(864) 391-0413	TIMOTHY.KEOWN@DELAHOWER.SC.GOV
SECONDARY CONTACT:			
CONTACT:			

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2023-2024 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	<u>Agency Director</u>	<u>Board or Commission Chair</u>
SIGN/DATE:	 9-26-22	
TYPE/PRINT NAME:	Timothy R. Keown	

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FORM B1 – RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

**AGENCY
PRIORITY**

1

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Operating Request – Campus Expansion

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

AMOUNT

General: \$2,000,000

Federal: \$0

Other: \$0

Total: \$2,000,000

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

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**FACTORS
ASSOCIATED
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REQUEST**

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**STATEWIDE
ENTERPRISE
STRATEGIC
OBJECTIVES**

Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:

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**ACCOUNTABILITY
OF FUNDS**

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RECIPIENTS OF

These funds would go into our general funds account for payroll and operations.

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FORM C – CAPITAL REQUEST

**AGENCY
PRIORITY**

2

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

De La Howe Hall Renovation

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request

AMOUNT

\$2,100,000

How much is requested for this project in FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

CPIP PRIORITY

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APPROVALS**

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PLANNING AND
SUSTAINABILITY**

We expect this building to give us 30 years of service. The last renovation was done in the 1970s, so, it is way past due. We will need to request additional funding in FY 24 to operate the building since it has been vacant for so long.

What other funds have already been invested in this project (source type, amount, timeframe)? Will other capital and/or operating funds for this project be requested in the future? If so, how much, and in which fiscal years? Has a source for those funds been identified/secured? What is the agency's expectation with regard to additional annual costs or savings associated with this capital improvement? What source of funds will be impacted by those costs or savings? What is the expected useful life of the capital improvement?

De La Howe Hall will have an enormous impact on our school, community, and even statewide. This will allow our students to have a safe and secure building for their education. We will have an auditorium to host school, community, and statewide events. McCormick County does not have a community center, and this will allow us to host events sponsored by our community. This building is situated in the middle of our campus and is the focal point. DLH Hall will allow our alumni group who grew up here as an orphanage to return to campus and celebrate the resurrection of De La Howe Hall.

For our student body to grow, we MUST have this building renovated. We are not able to add many more students until we have a place to educate them. The current building they're in also needs renovating and is not ADA compliant.

We will also be able to host statewide FFA and 4-H events in the auditorium. We can host agricultural groups such as Farm Bureau, as well. There is already interest in using the

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FORM C – CAPITAL REQUEST

**AGENCY
PRIORITY**

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Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Campground on Lake Thurmond

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request

AMOUNT

\$2,500,000

How much is requested for this project in FY 2023-2024? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

CPIP PRIORITY

3 of 3

Identify the project's CPIP plan year and priority number, along with the first year in which the project was included in the agency's CPIP. If not included in the agency's CPIP, please provide an explanation. If the project involves a request for appropriated state funding, briefly describe the agency's contingency plan in the event that state funding is not made available in the amount requested.

**OTHER
APPROVALS**

N/A

What approvals have already been obtained? Are there additional approvals that must be secured in order for the project to succeed? (Institutional board, JBRC, SFAA, etc.)

**LONG-TERM
PLANNING AND
SUSTAINABILITY**

JDLH has not invested any funds in this project. JDLH could maintain this space with our new proposed budget for FY24.

What other funds have already been invested in this project (source type, amount, timeframe)? Will other capital and/or operating funds for this project be requested in the future? If so, how much, and in which fiscal years? Has a source for those funds been identified/secured? What is the agency's expectation with regard to additional annual costs or savings associated with this capital improvement? What source of funds will be impacted by those costs or savings? What is the expected useful life of the capital improvement?

SC Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe wants to utilize the beautiful 3 miles of shoreline we have on the Strom Thurmond Lake. This would allow people from all over the Southeast to enjoy our campus. We have already had interest from the equine community. Along with the campground we have over 14 miles of trails throughout our 1310-acre campus. JDLH already has county water run out to this section of campus. We have primitive cabins in place now but would like to add some primitive camp sites. This project would include a beach area and designated swimming area. In conjunction with the campground JDLH hosted 16 summer camps this past year. This would allow our camp director to have more options with JDLH summer camps. We have already discussed the possibility with the Corps of Engineers and received a verbal blessing to request this project.

Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears

FISCAL IMPACT

None

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

**PROPOSED
PROVISO TEXT**

~~7.1 (JDLHS: Status Offender Carry Forward) Unexpended status offender funds distributed to the Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe from the Department of Education may be carried forward and used for the same purpose.~~

Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests enter requested text above.

Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

**PROPOSED
PROVISO TEXT**

~~7.3. (JDLHS- Deferred Salaries Carried Forward) The Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe is authorized to carry forward into the current fiscal year the amount of deferred salaries and employer contributions earned in the prior fiscal year for non-twelve month employees. These deferred funds are not to be included or part of any other authorized carry forward amount.~~

Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.

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FORM F – REDUCING COST AND BURDEN TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

TITLE

Shared Services Agreement with the Department of Administration

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

EXPECTED SAVINGS TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

\$200,000

What is the expected savings to South Carolina's businesses and citizens that is generated by this proposal? The savings could be related to time or money.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

Mark "X" for all that apply:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Repeal or revision of regulations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

METHOD OF CALCULATION

If we are allowed to continue to use the Shared Services agreement for our Finance and HR roles, we can save the salary plus fringe of a CFO, HR director, and an HR assistant.

Describe the method of calculation for determining the expected cost or time savings to businesses or citizens.

REDUCTION OF FEES OR FINES

None

Which fees or fines does the agency intend to reduce? What was the fine or fee revenue for the previous fiscal year? What was the associated program expenditure for the previous fiscal year? What is the enabling authority for the issuance of the fee or fine?

REDUCTION OF REGULATION

None

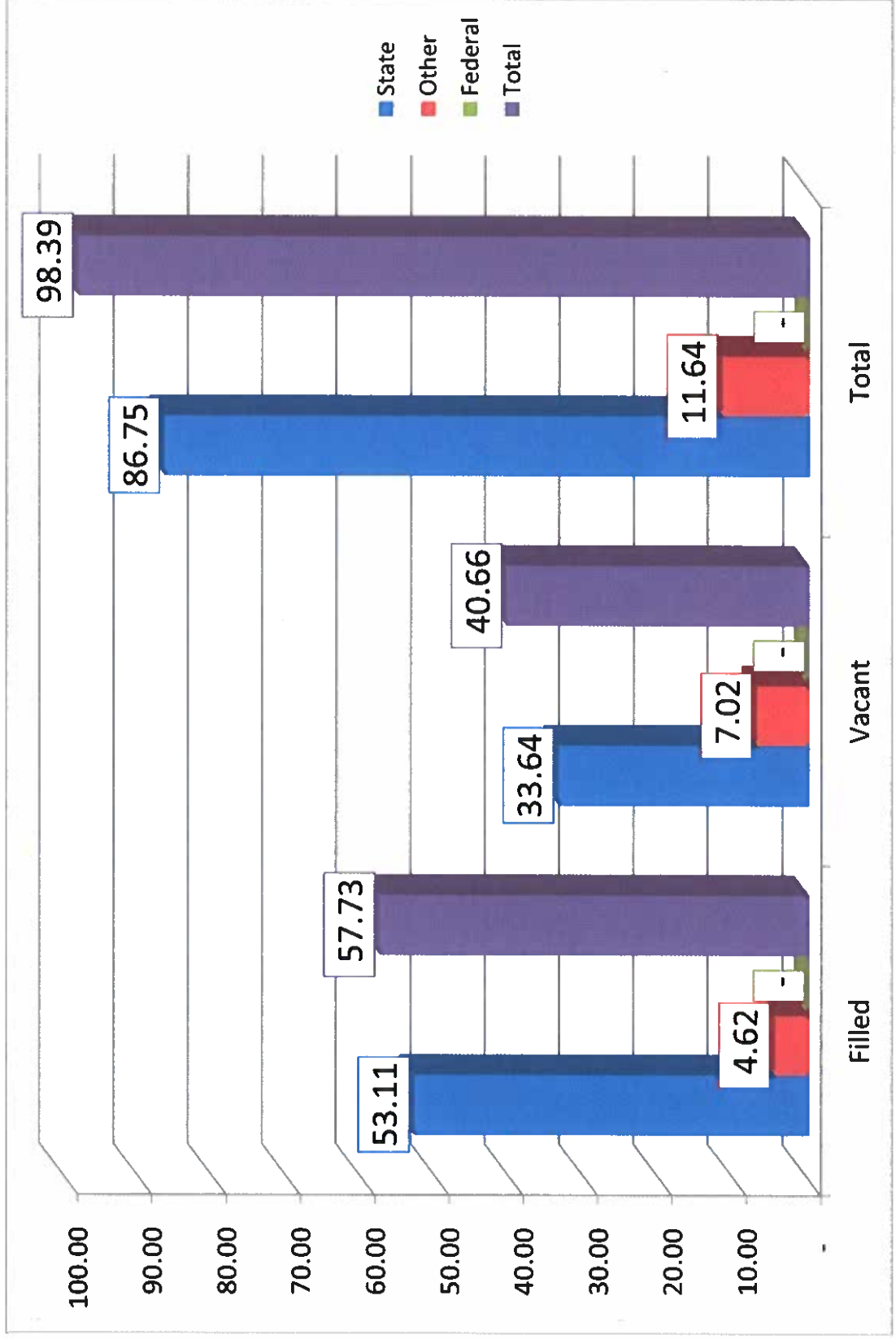
Which regulations does the agency intend to amend or delete? What is the enabling authority for the regulation?

SUMMARY

In March of 2022, we entered into a shared services agreement with the State Department of Administration for our Finance role(s). In April of 2021 we entered into a shared services agreement for our HR roles. This agreement has been financially a great arrangement. We want to continue this agreement which we believe saves funds and also we have a better service for those functions.

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FY 2020-21 Authorized FTEs



Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe			
SUMMARY OF CARRY FORWARD AND CURRENT CASH BALANCES			
FISCAL YEAR 2023			
Office / Description	Fund	Balance	6/30/2022
<i>Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La Howe</i>			
General Fund	1001	697,038	
Operating Revenue	3035	704,432	
Timber Sales	3053	188,252	
Bequests	3099	1,511	
Grants-Non Federal	3521	9,138	
Capital Projects	3600	6,758,155	
Medicaid Asst Pay	3764	8,236	
Alternative Education	3719	70,550	
SCEIS Agency Set Aside	3853	274	
Capital Projects	3907	26	
Sale of Assets	3958	37,228	
Farm Proceeds	3959	93,534	
Sale of Meals	3960	89,716	
Increased Enforcement	39H2	8,500	
McCann Scholarship Fund	4050	211,648	
Grady Oliver Trust	4394	1,425	
Education Lottery	4381	1,618	
McKenzie Nickles Inc	4423	205,661	
Branch Scholarship	4561	91,875	
S Wilson Trust	4736	51,577	
Education Improvement	4973	622,969	
Grand Total		9,853,364	

AGENCY INFORMATION

- Our school began in 2020 with thirty-four students. In 2021, enrollment was doubled with 61 students. Our school currently has 78 students.
- Our inaugural class of 21 seniors graduated in May of 2022, collectively earning around half a million dollars in scholarships.
- Ongoing renovations for three residential halls, three staff houses, and the early phases of JDLH Hall are taking place.
- We are in the design phase of constructing a new greenhouse laboratory.
- We are in the design phase of constructing additional security fencing at the main entrance.
- We renovated the equine facility.
- We recently partnered with the Department of Administration in a shared services agreement for our finance and HR roles.



Sierra Tinsley picked up third place in the nation in Dairy Cattle Handling at the National FFA Convention.



Caitlyn Krout was elected as the Governor's School for Agriculture's first ever state officer in the South Carolina FFA Association.



Our Tractor Operation CDE Team earned top honors at the South Carolina State Fair, and Ben Stone claimed third highest individual honors.



Our Dairy Cattle Evaluation & Management Team claimed Bronze team honors at the National FFA Convention.



Glenn Perryman presented a poster to our ag teachers honoring our 2021-2022 Aggies who earned a variety of industry certifications.



The student body of the Governor's School for Agriculture looked sharp as they represented at the State Fair.



Mr. Hunter Mortone receiving the Teachers Turn The Key Scholarship Award at the National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention



Four of our local FFA chapter leaders teachers participated in the FFA Washington Leadership Conference just before the start of school.

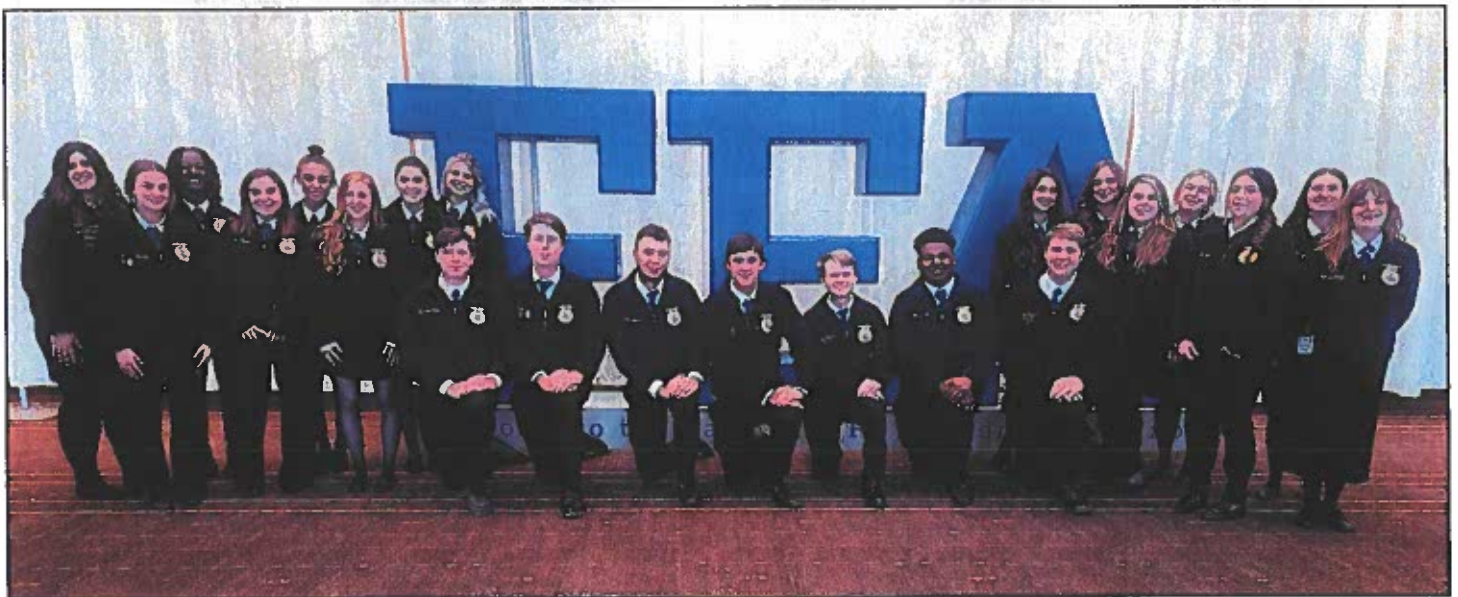
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October 2022

AGGIES EARN NATIONAL FFA HONORS



The Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe's 2022 delegation at the National FFA Convention

A delegation of more than 20 students and faculty advisors from the South Carolina Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe attended the 95th annual National FFA Convention & Expo, held in late October at Lucas Oil Arena and other venues in Indianapolis.

One of those students, Sierra Tinsley of Pelzer, returned home with an overall third place finish in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Handlers Career Development Event (CDE). She competed against 30 other contestants from FFA chapters around the United States.

More than 50,000 FFA members and guests were in attendance Oct. 26-29 at the National FFA Convention. These thousands of delegates participated in a wide variety of educational opportunities and live entertainment, including concerts by country music stars Jimmie Allen,



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DONATION ASSISTS FFA WITH TRAVEL EXPENSES

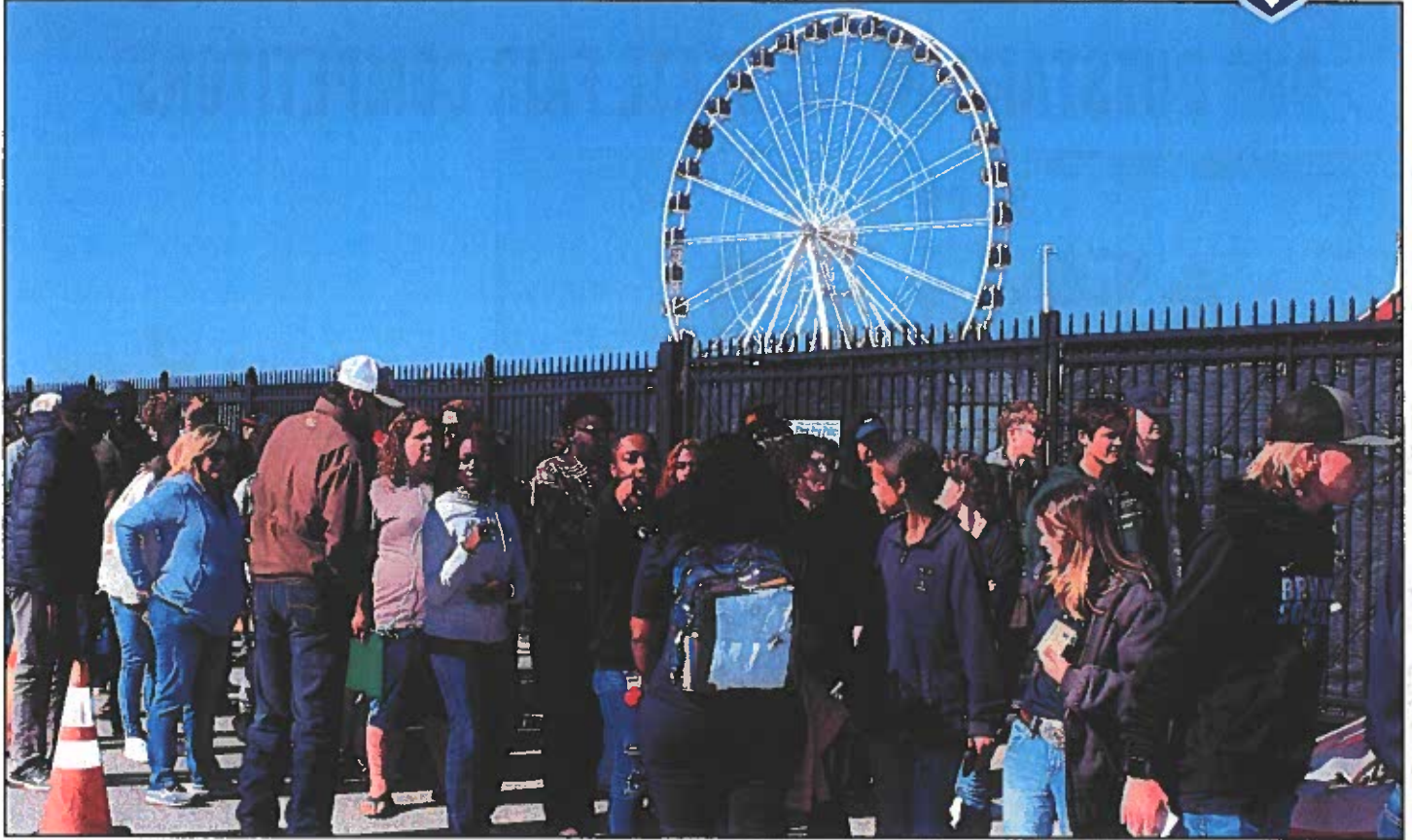


Bob Edmonds, who serves as chairman of the McCormick County Soil and Water Conservation Board, presented a check to the non-profit John de la Howe School Foundation to help offset the travel costs for our 22 Governor's School for Agriculture FFA students to attend the 95th National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis. Mr. Edmonds delivered the donation to school president Tim Keown during a meeting at the President's House on campus.

FARM BUREAU SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Caitlyn Krout accepted one of two different \$500 scholarships she was awarded at the South Carolina State Fair in Columbia. Fair general manager Nancy Smith presented the Farm Bureau Youth Equine Scholarship during the annual FFA Day at the Fair.



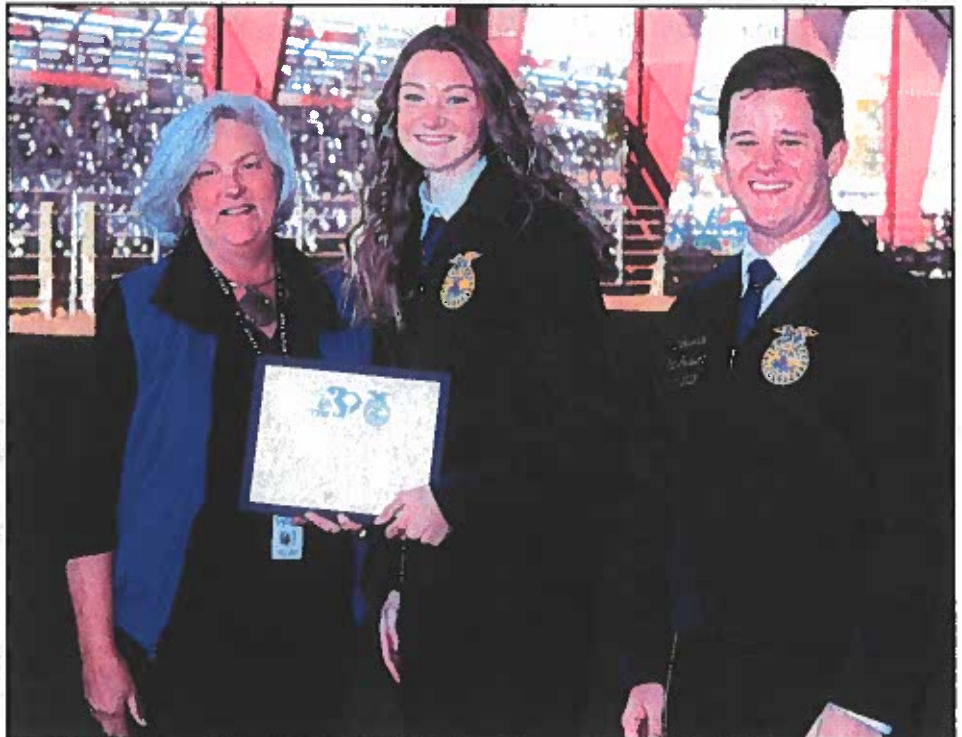


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During the South Carolina State Fair Horse Show, Leona Weber won two first place awards and one second place along with High Point Overall Champion in her age Division. Caitlyn Krout placed third in barrels and fourth in poles and, as mentioned, won the \$500 State Fair Equine Scholarship.

Lynzie Hodge and her bunny Ollie claimed third place in Senior Rabbit Showmanship at the State Fair Rabbit Show.

Congratulations to all of our competing Aggies, and thank you to everyone who represented the school so very well at the 2022 South Carolina State Fair's annual FFA Day.



Caitlyn Krout won a \$500 scholarship directly from the South Carolina Association of Fairs, presented by State Fair general manager Nancy Smith and state FFA president Drake Arjail



OUR OUTSTANDING SC STATE FAIR COMPETITORS!



Katie Ostergaard won Reserve Senior Champion in Crossbred.



Ty Morton won Reserve Calf Champion in Zebu and second place in Gelbvieh.





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Caroline Jordan placed second in Simmental.



Lyle Fulmer placed third in Simmental.





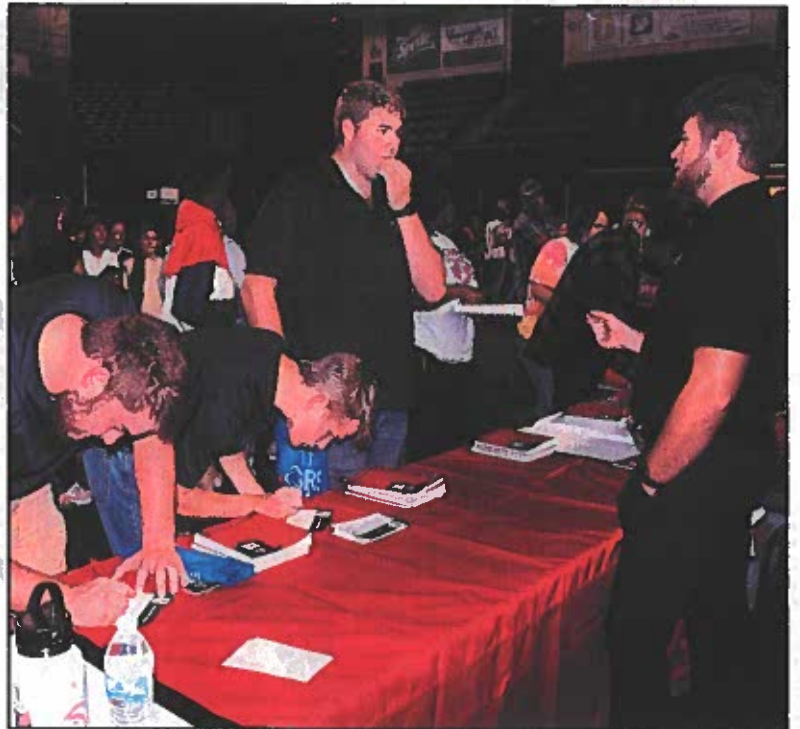
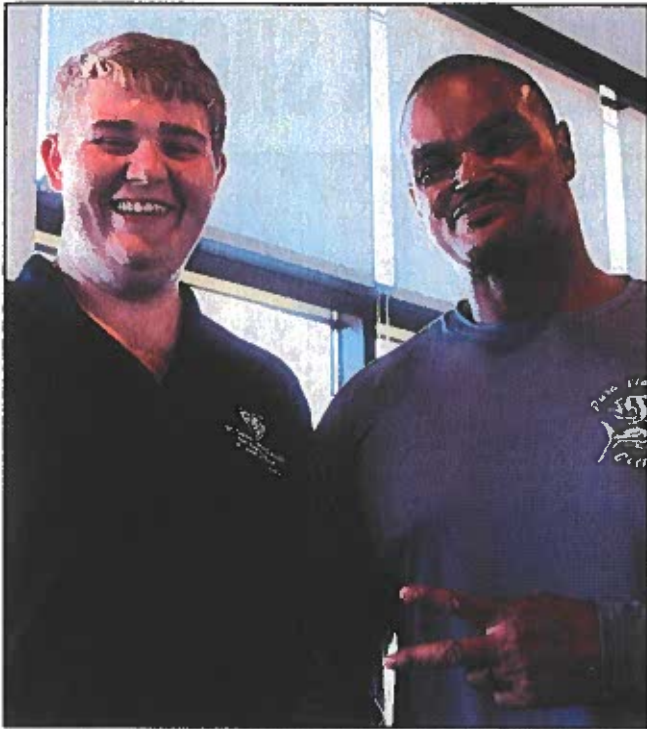
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Student body president JC Chandler took time to visit with former NFL player Jamal Reynolds, who spoke at the Career Fair, and later joined other Aggies in exploring college options at the CSRA College Night held at the James Brown Arena in downtown Augusta.

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Among the local industry leaders who visited the Aggies at the ballpark was Ken Boyd, a park ranger serving with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at nearby J. Strom Thurmond Dam and Lake in Clarks Hill. The 1,310-acre John de la Howe campus is nestled on the banks of Lake Thurmond, surrounded by 71,100 acres of water and 1,200 miles of shoreline managed by the Corps of Engineers.

"A lot of them are kind of surprised about the size of the facility that they live on and how much land base is actually managed there," Mr. Boyd said. "They seemed kind of excited about that part of it, and I think some of them are interested in the industry that I work in, which is primarily forestry and fish and wildlife-oriented industry, natural resource management."

Students also were able to meet and chat with Aiken native Jamal Reynolds, a consensus All-American defensive end at Florida State University who later spent three years with the National

Football League's Green Bay Packers before a career-ending injury. He encouraged the students to chase their dreams even if discouraged by adversity or naysayers.

Mr. Reynolds was impressed with the educational opportunities offered at the Governor's School for Agriculture. "I grow gardens. I fish. I hunt, and I do all that stuff," he said. "So, learning that there was a school just for that kind of stuff, I'm like, man, I wish they'd had something like that when I was coming through."

Among the other careers represented, such as insurance and pest control, a representative from South Carolina State University also attended the career fair to encourage students to consider opportunities in teaching. Last year, the Governor's School for Agriculture and S.C. State's 1890 Extension Service signed a partnership agreement in an effort to grow the future leaders in South Carolina's flourishing ag industry.

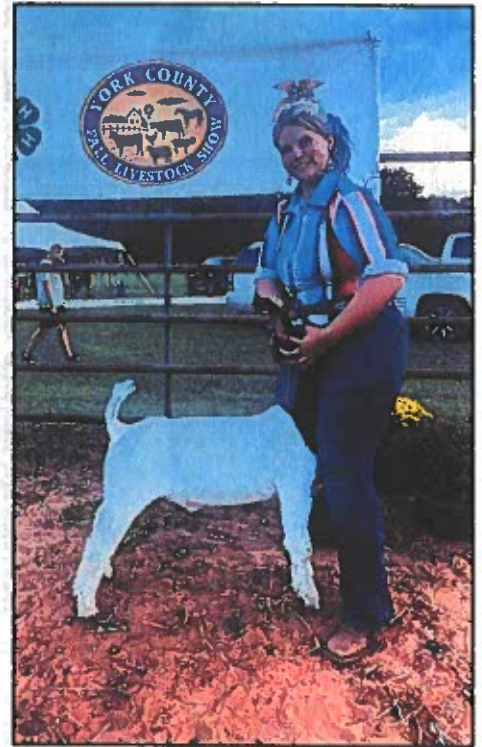


Austin Landreth

Also, during the Abbeville County Youth Livestock Show, Austin Landreth won the Abbeville County Beef Scholarship. JC Chandler won Grand and Reserve Champion Charolais.



JC Chandler



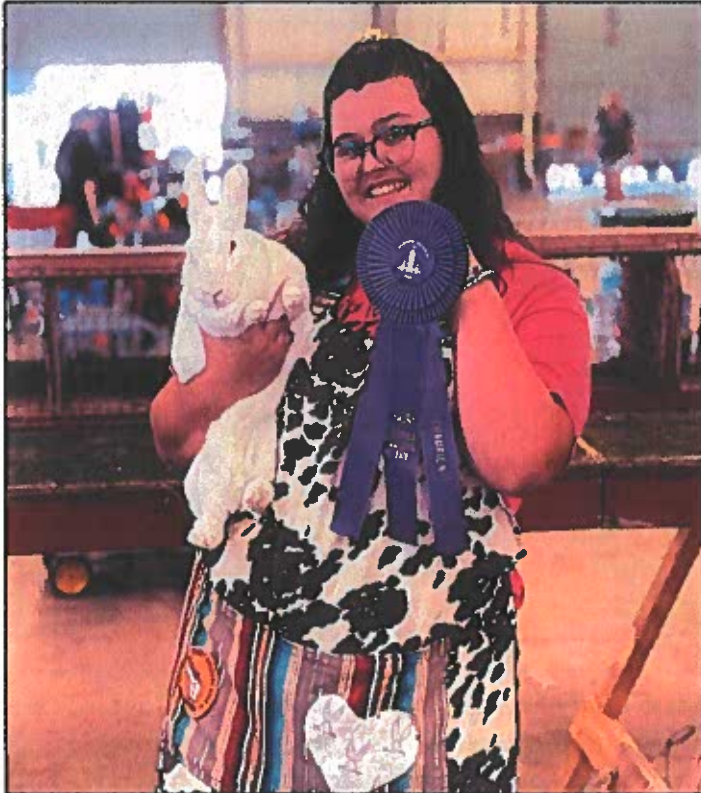
Kyleigh Banks-Adams

YORK COUNTY GOAT SHOW

At the York County Livestock Show, Kyleigh Banks-Adams won Grand Champion in overall open market class, Grand Champion in overall South Carolina-born wether, first place open market heavyweight, first place Wether heavyweight, second place in showmanship and third place in heavyweight doe class.



SIDNEY AND HER RABBITS HOP INTO WINNER CIRCLE AT REGIONAL SHOWS



Sidney Grantham, one of our Aggies who comes to us from Florida, has been busy this fall competing -- and winning -- in weekend rabbit shows all across the South.

In September, Sidney competed in The Gathering Rabbit Show at the Burke County Fairgrounds in Morganton, N.C. and made it the Grand Drive for winning Best of Show in four different categories. Earlier in the month, she claimed second place in showmanship at the Greenwood County Livestock Show.

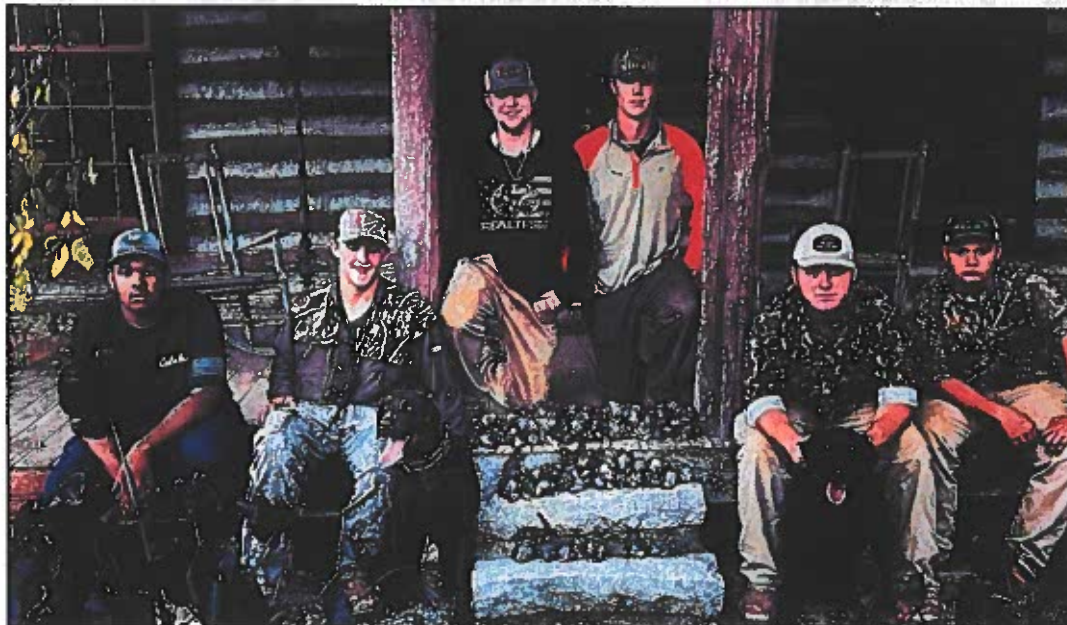
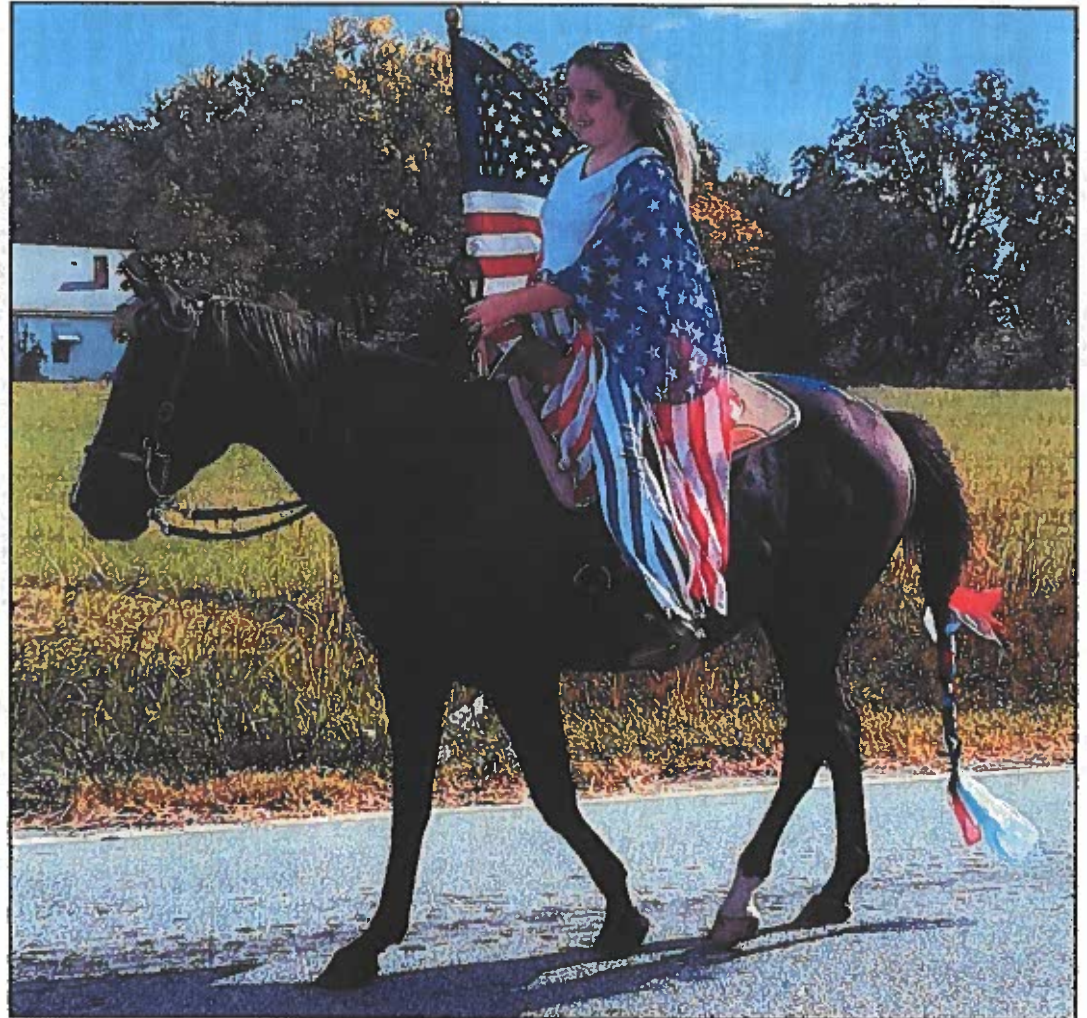
In mid-October, Sidney competed at the Georgia State RCA Fall Show 2022 in Perry, Ga., and took home even more ribbons. Congratulations, Sidney!





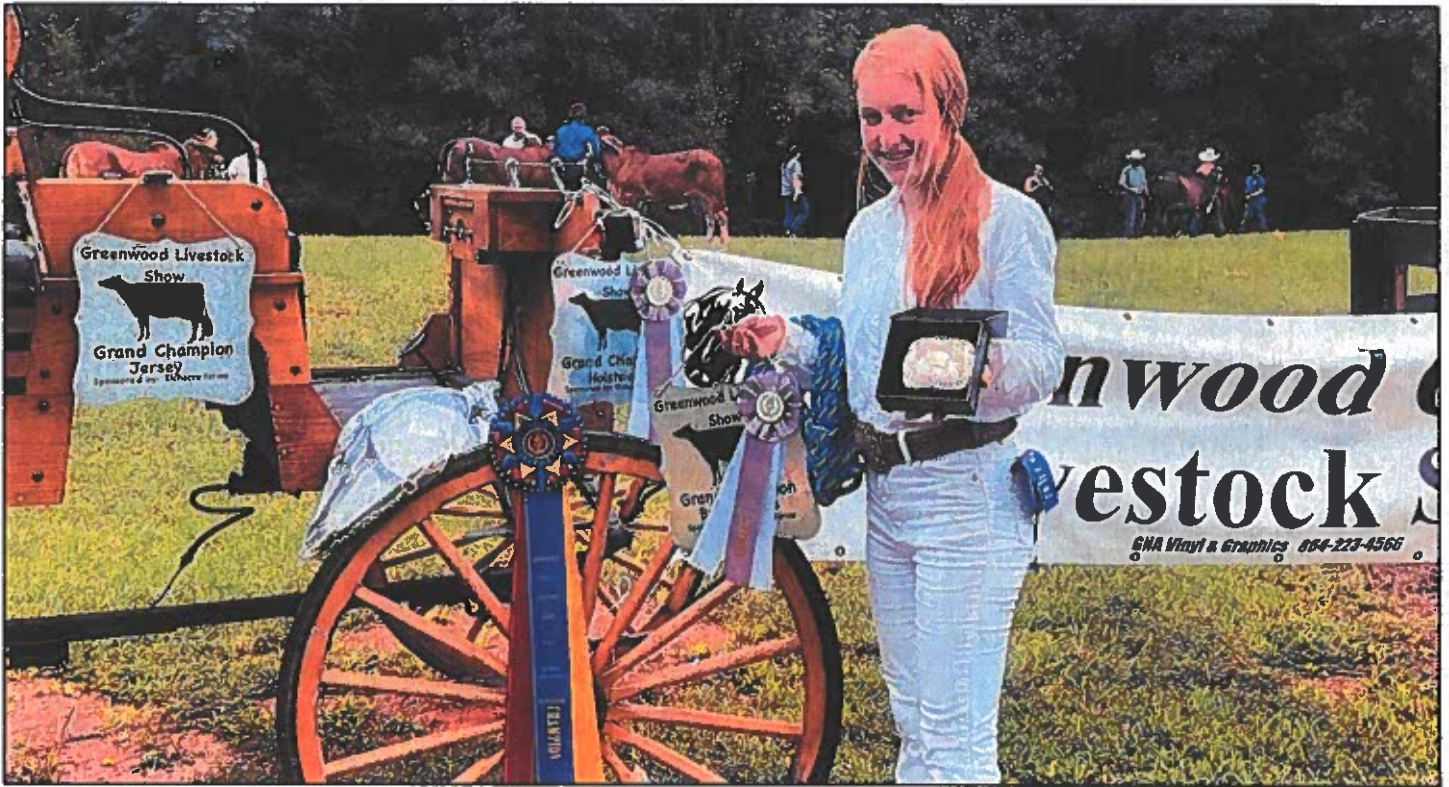
BROOKE AND COWBOY LEAD YOUTH PARADE

One of our resident Aggies, Brooke Grondski of Gray Court, served as Grand Marshal of the Hickory Tavern Youth Recreation Parade in early October. Brooke rode her trusty horse Cowboy in the parade, and then Cowboy and Brooke offered horseback rides to local kids in attendance.



STUDENT DOVE HUNT YIELDS GOOD HARVEST

In early October, ag teachers Mr. Morton and Mr. Abrams, along with Coach Cann, led a group of students on a dove hunt. The hunt yielded a healthy harvest from the field that had been prepared by IDIH students.



Sierra Tinsley at the Greenwood Livestock Show



The Governor's School Beef Show team (and family) at the Greenwood Livestock Show



ORANGEBURG COUNTY FAIR SHOW



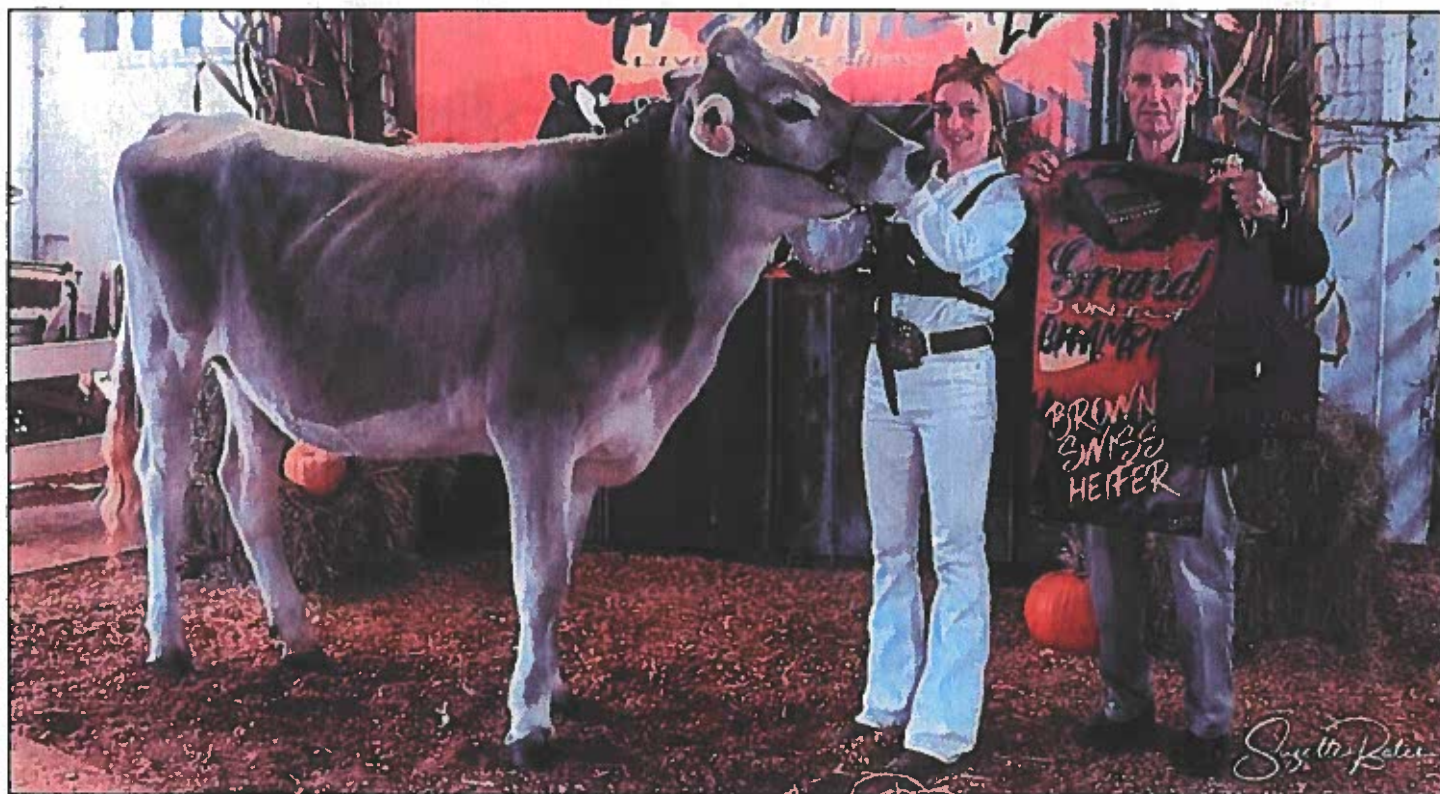
Ty Morton



At the Orangeburg County Fair Beef Show, Ty Morton won Grand Champion Crossbred with Brangus and won another first place with Gelbvieh balancer.

Lilly Fox was Reserve Champion Continental and first place with Fleckvieh Simmentals. Caroline Jordan placed second in Senior Showmanship and second in Continental with Fleckvieh Simmental. Lyle Fulmer placed third in Continental with Fleckvieh Simmental.

Katie Ostergaard won first place with Crossbred and was fifth in Senior Showmanship. Kaley Stevenson placed third in Crossbred and fourth in Senior Showmanship.



Sierra Tinsley at the Upstate Livestock Show



Ross Arthur at the Upstate Livestock Show

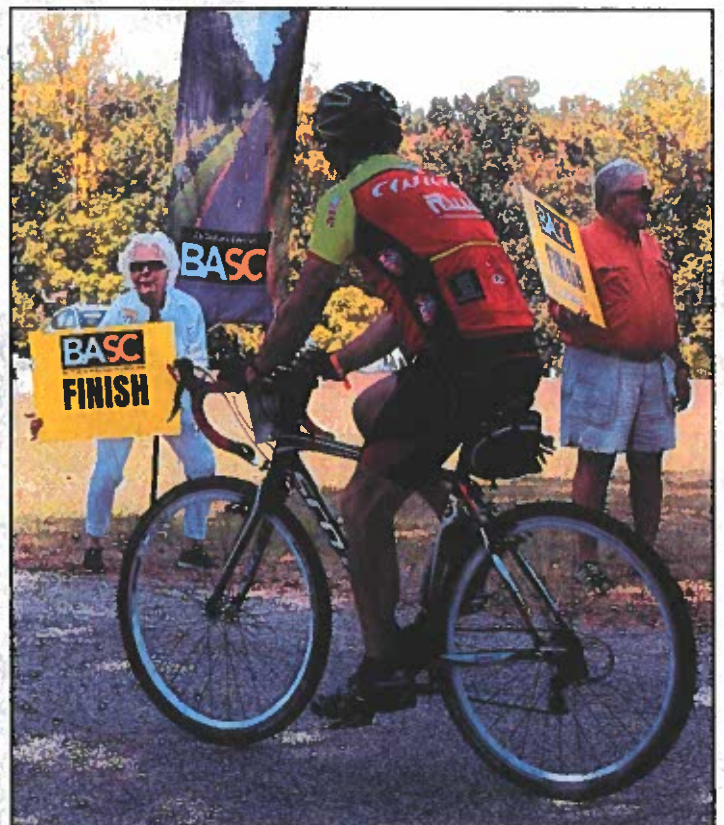


Kyleigh Banks-Adams at the Upstate Livestock Show

SUNBELT AG EXPO EXCURSION

A large delegation of Aggies traveled southwest to Moultrie, Georgia, in mid-October to attend the annual Sunbelt Ag Expo and also to tour Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.







ANDERSON COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW



Sierra Tinsley



Coralie Davis at the Anderson County Swine Show

Sierra Tinsley scored a near-clean sweep in the Anderson County Youth Livestock Show, held at the T. Ed Garrison Arena complex at Clemson University. She won senior showmanship, then Grand Champion in Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, and Grand and Reserve Champion in Brown Swiss. She won Supreme Champion with her Jersey.

Coralie Davis won first place in Senior Showmanship and first place in Lightweight Market Hogs with Dunkin at the Anderson County Swine Show.

Congratulations also to the Beef Team members who competed with distinction.



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Student leaders from our Student Council, FFA and 4-H programs gather around the tree laden with gifts that were collected as part of the school's Adopt-A-Family program, serving less-fortunate families in our community.

Happy Holidays!

Dear Aggie Family,

The early "Roaring 20s" have been productive in and out of the classroom for our Aggies! If you follow our monthly newsletters, you have read the numerous accolades, in both academics and competitive events. Our students never cease to amaze me, and I love having a front row seat to watch all of their successes!

We are already planning for an exciting Spring '23 semester. I encourage you to include our Ag Fest on your calendars. It will be held this year on Saturday, March 18. This will be our 3rd Annual event, and we expect a large increase in student participation, spectators, vendors, and competitive events.

Beginning in 2023 we will be renovating Charleston, Hester Morrah, and Hester residential halls, De la Howe Hall, and constructing a new state of the art greenhouse facility! These renovations will allow our student population and course offerings to continue to grow. We are thankful to the General Assembly of South Carolina for all of their support in our mission.

Lastly, I am honored to serve our students, parents, and staff. We are a blessed school family. I hope each of you have a Happy Holiday season with your loved ones!

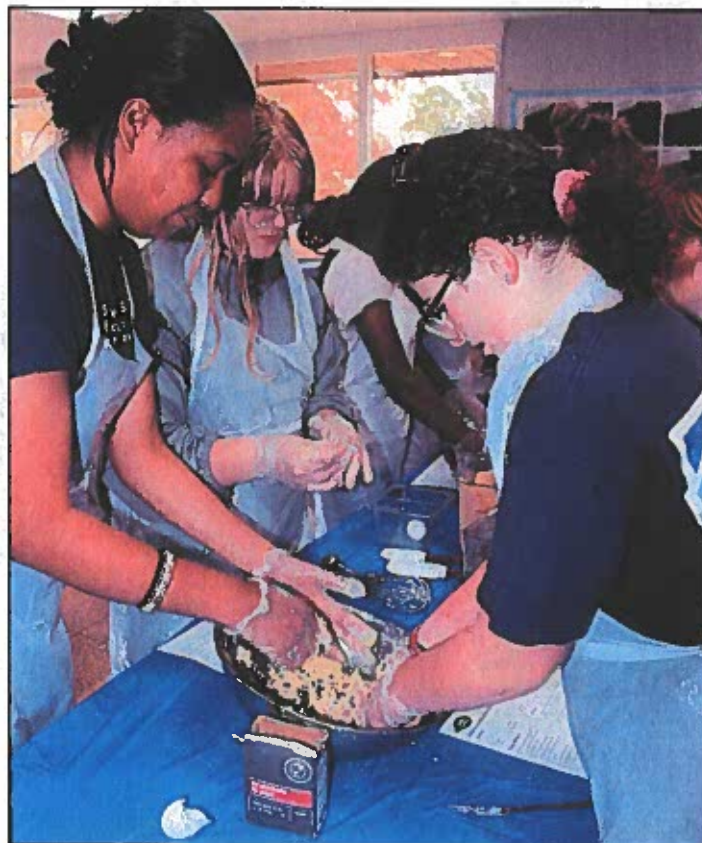
Respectfully,
Timothy R. Keown



AGGIES COOK UP SOME CHRISTMAS CHEER

An industrious group of students gathered after-school the first week of December to bake chocolate-chip cookies for the annual Christmas Cookie Walk in downtown McCormick.

That weekend, a trio of Aggies welcomed patrons to the Cookie Walk and shared their baked treats at the Dorn Grist Mill Complex. The event also gave students a chance to share information about the Governor's School for Agriculture and our programs for students.





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a rigorous exam based on weighted industry-valued and industry-accepted standards.

"Our goal in offering certification testing on the iCEV platform was to provide students with validation of the specialized skills they have developed and knowledge base they've built," said Dusty Moore, president of iCEV. "The certifications are meant to have an immediate positive impact on students as they plan for their future after high school, whether that is attending college or joining the workforce. On behalf of CEV Multimedia and our industry partners, we congratulate all students at the S.C. Governor's School for Agriculture on this tremendous accomplishment and wish them the best as they pursue their career goals."

In 2021 and 2022, the following students have earned certifications from iCEV:

• **BASF Plant Science**

Certification: J.C. Chandler, Kyle Gilreath, Lexie Hanna, Jake Parker, Jenna Tucker, Caleb Welsford.

• **Benz School of Floral Design**

Certification: Kyleigh Adams, Riley Cox, Aestas Hodge, Emily Rodman, Sierra Tinsley, Valeria Vazquez, Allyson Wright.

• **EETC Principles of**

Small Engine Technology

Certification: Cole Hammond, Lexie Hanna, Caroline Jordan, Kaylee O'Neal, Preston Patterson, Harley Reeves, Ben Stone, Caleb Welsford.

INSTRUCTORS
 Russ Abrams Rodney Mann Libby Templeton

Elanco

FUNDAMENTALS OF ANIMAL SCIENCE
 Grayson Chassereau Garrett Jolley JD Miller Ben Stone
 Anna Cross Caroline Jordan Preston Patterson Sierra Tinsley
 Hampton Davis Caitlyn Krout Jake Simpson Valeria Vazquez
 Trey Haddon Austin Landreth Kaylin Smith Lacey Willis
 Evan Herring Lauren Locklair

National Collegiate Livestock Coaches' Association

PRINCIPLES OF LIVESTOCK SELECTION & EVALUATION
 Kyleigh Adams Coralie Davis Trey Haddon Jake Simpson
 Colette Alston Lauren Fenn JD Miller Jenna Tucker
 Hadleigh Corcoran Brooke Grondski Jake Parker

Equipment & Engine Training Council

PRINCIPLES OF SMALL ENGINE TECHNOLOGY
 Cole Hammond Caroline Jordan Preston Patterson Ben Stone
 Lexie Hanna Kaylee O'Neal Harley Reeves Caleb Welsford

Southwest Airlines

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS
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INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

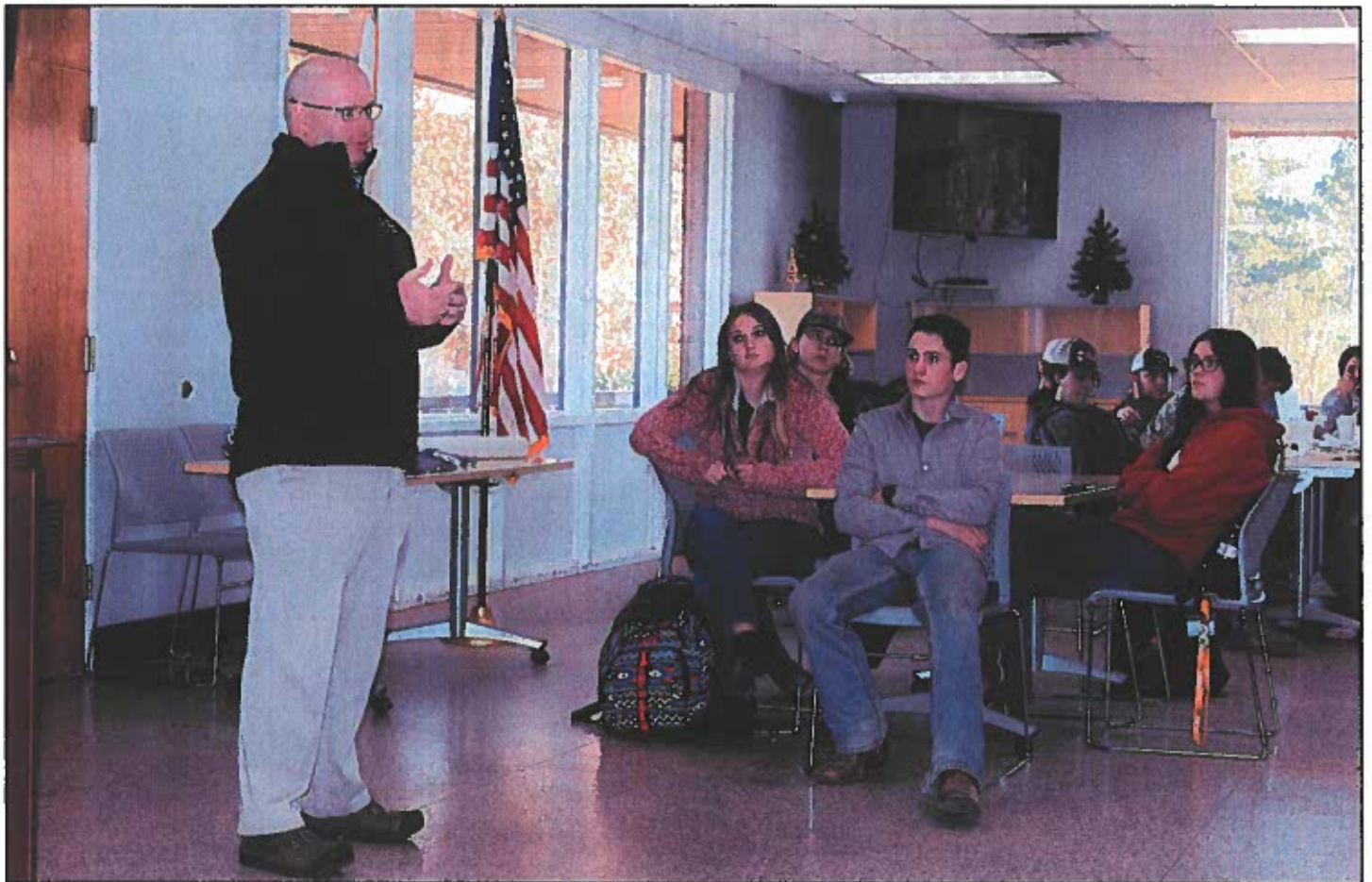
Express **Southwest** **DUCKS UNLIMITED** **Elanco**

• **Southwest Airlines Professional Communications Certification:** Cole Hammond, Evan Herring, Kaylee O'Neal, Kaytlin Smith.

• **Elanco Fundamentals of Animal Science Certification:** Grayson Chassereau, Anna Grace Cross, Hampton Davis, Trey Haddon, Evan Herring, Garrett Jolly, Carolina Jordan, Caitlyn Krout, Austin Landreth, Lauren Locklair, J.D. Miller, Preston Patterson, Jake Simpson, Kaytlin Smith, Ben Stone, Sierra

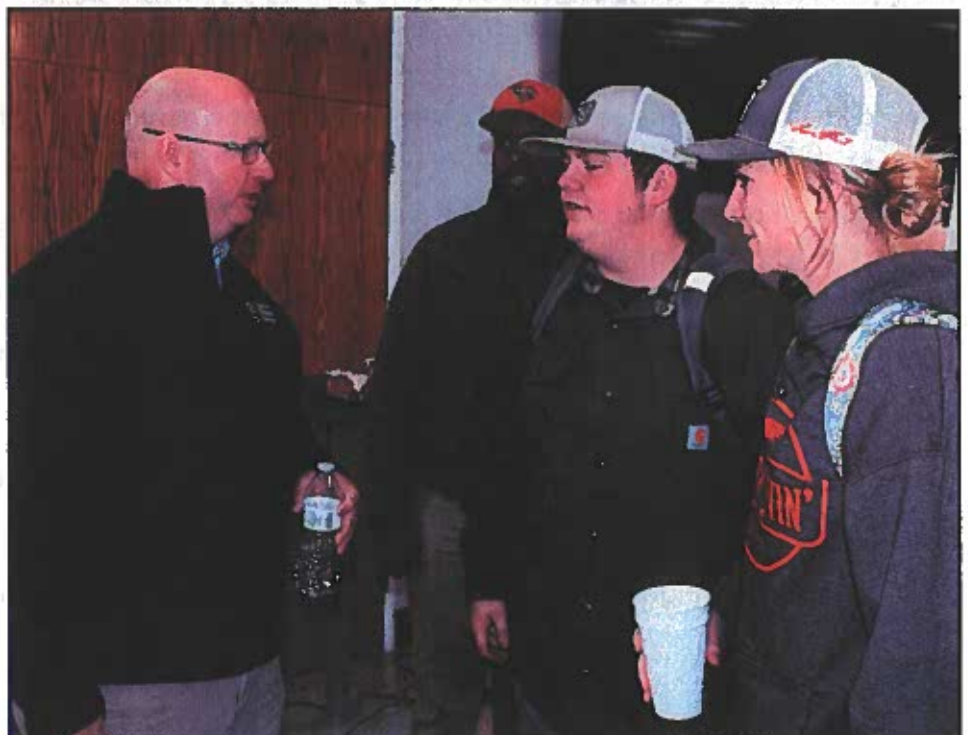
Tinsley, Valeria Vazquez, Lacey Willis.

• **NCLCA Principles of Livestock Selection & Evaluation Certification:** Kyleigh Adams, Colette Alston, J.C. Chandler, Caitlyn Krout, Coralie Davis, Lauren Fenn, Lilly Fox, Sidney Grantham, Brooke Grondski, Trey Haddon, Mya Kowalke, Caroline Jordan, J.D. Miller, Katie Ostergaard, Jake Parker, Jake Simpson, Sierra Tinsley, Jenna Tucker, Leona Weber.



STATE FORESTOR DISCUSSES CAREERS IN THE WOODS

Scott Phillips, South Carolina State Forester and Executive Director of the South Carolina Forestry Commission, visited the Governor's School for Agriculture campus the week before Christmas break to chat with students about the Forestry Commission, its mission and possible career opportunities with the state agency.





HONOR ROLL STUDENTS - 1ST QUARTER

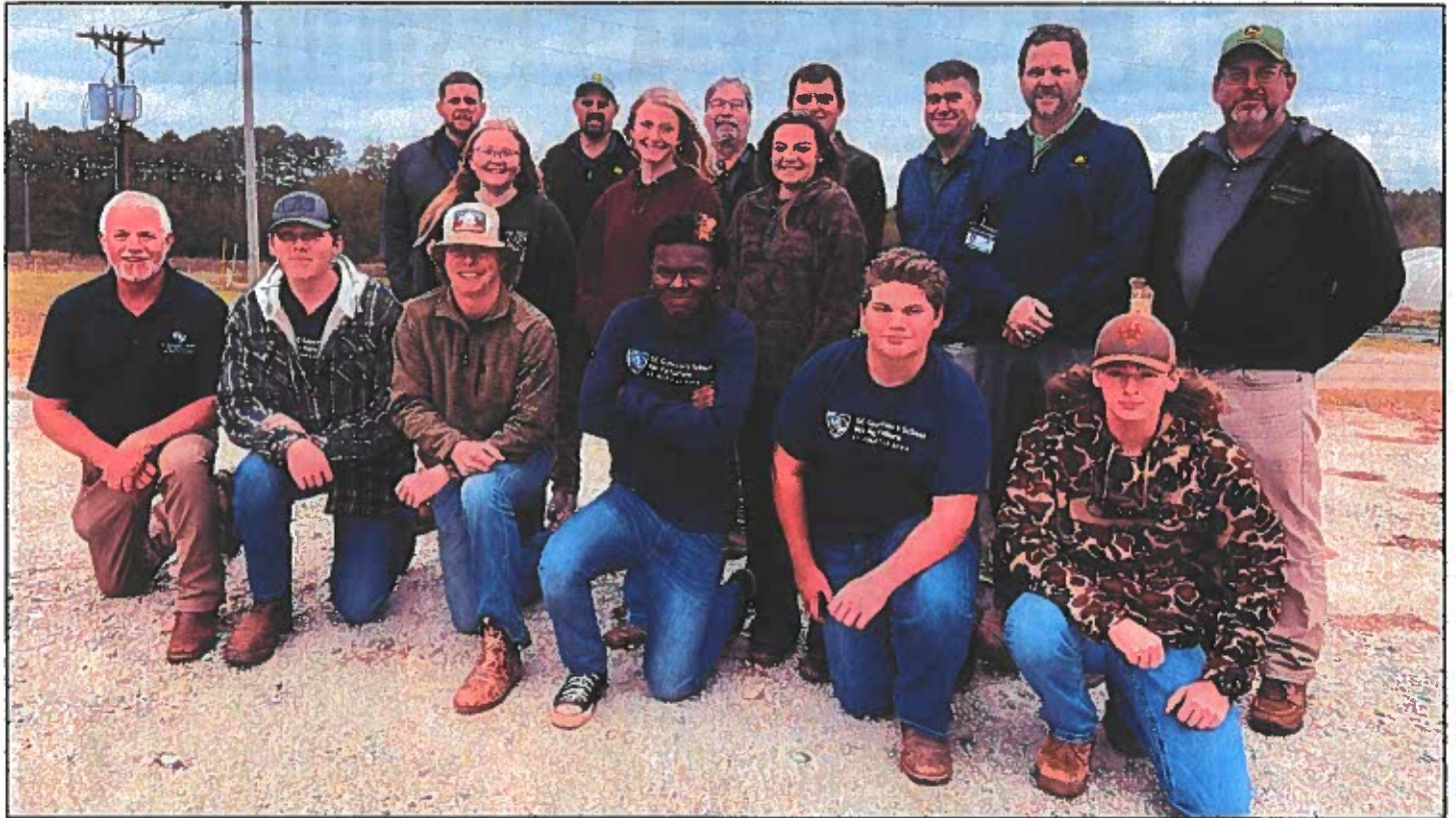


Our first-quarter A/B Honor Roll students

A/B Honor Roll

Samson Benjamin Bennett, Malori Merry Christopherson, Coralie Elizabeth Davis, Gordon Logan Doty, Lilly Kayte Fox, Jahira Elaine Freeman, Liam Britton Gesling, Brooklyn Leigh Glassburn, Sidney LeeAnn Grantham, Brooke Helena Grondski, Cole Hammond, Evan Laurence Herring, Ja'Davion Simeon Hicks, Dakota McKinlee Hill, Michael Kelly Johnson, Carson Elliott Jones, Caroline Lee Jordan, Kinley Marie Metts, James David Miller, Eli Davis Moore, Micah Robert Mother, Tamiah Jae Donae Nunnally, Preston Patterson, Harley Marie Reeves, Benjamin Neal Stone, Ella Reed Taylor, Anna Lee Wagher, Leona Joyce Weber, Emily Paige White.

Congratulations, Aggies!



JOHN DEERE EXECUTIVES VISIT CAMPUS

In mid-November, a delegation of John Deere executives visited the Governor's School for Agriculture campus and met with students and ag teachers. The visit was coordinated by Bert Bagley, who serves on the school's Board of Trustees.

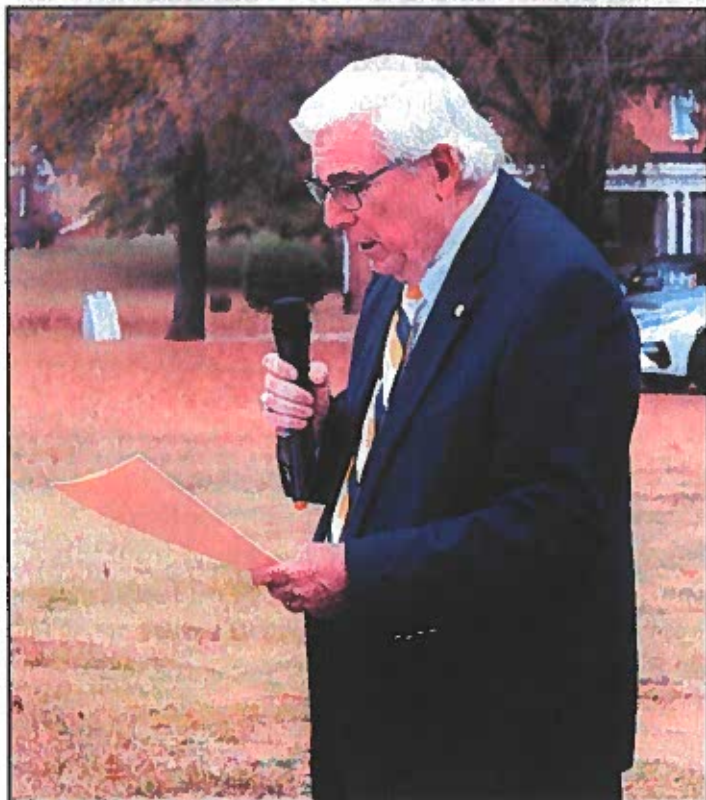
BLANCHARD GIVEN HONORARY FFA DEGREE

Bo Blanchard from Blanchard John Deere was presented the Honorary Chapter FFA degree from our Agricultural Mechanics teacher Russ Abrams and members of the State Champion Tractor Safety and Operations FFA Team. Mr. Blanchard serves as a board member for the school's non-profit Foundation.

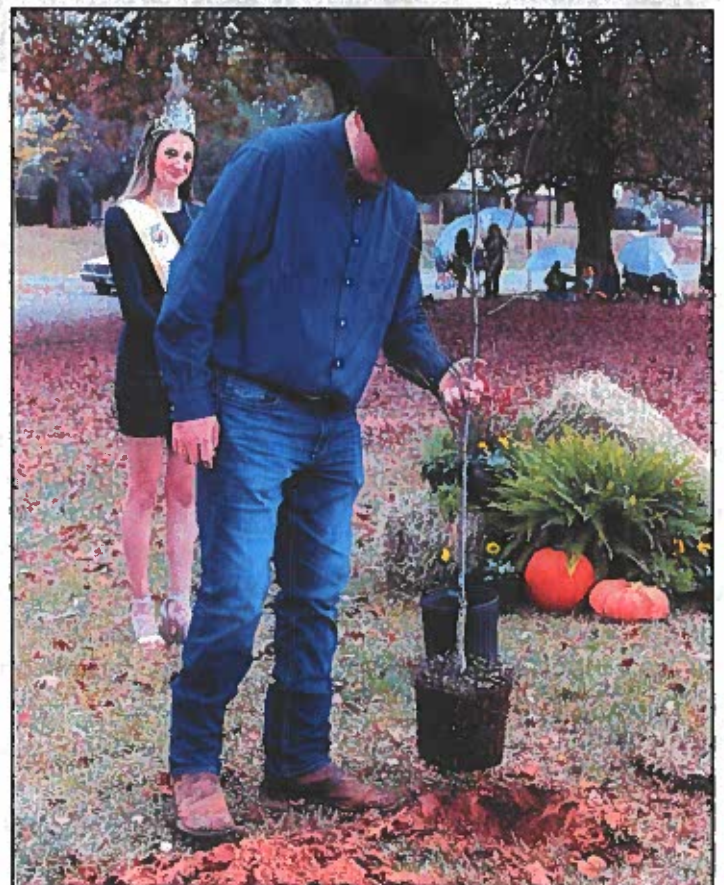




State Sen. Billy Garrett and former State Rep. Anne Parks present the Senate Resolution to agency president Tim Keown at the 225th anniversary celebration.



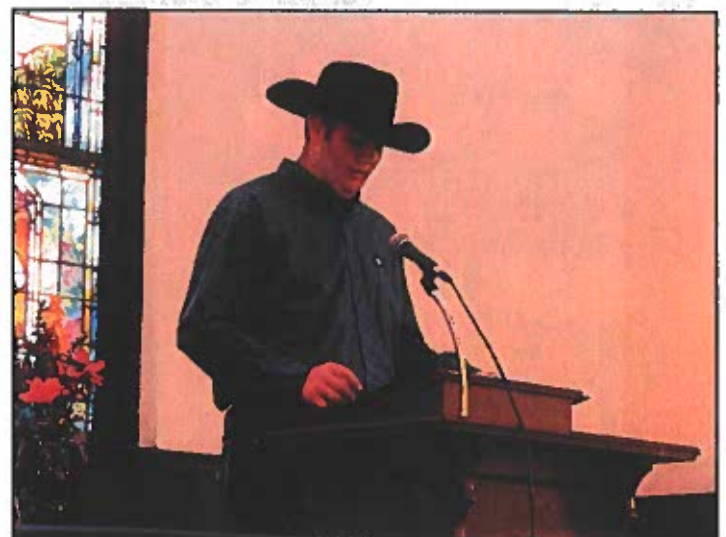
Paul Babb of the America250 committee presents two oak trees and commemorative medallion to the school.





CLASS RING CEREMONY

On Friday evening, November 4, on the eve of The 1797 Celebration and Alumni weekend, a class ring ceremony was held in McKissick Memorial Chapel. Members of the current junior and senior classes were presented their rings by Mr. Thompson and Mr. Keown. The event featured moving commentary from student leaders on the meaning and importance of the class rings as part of the high school experience.

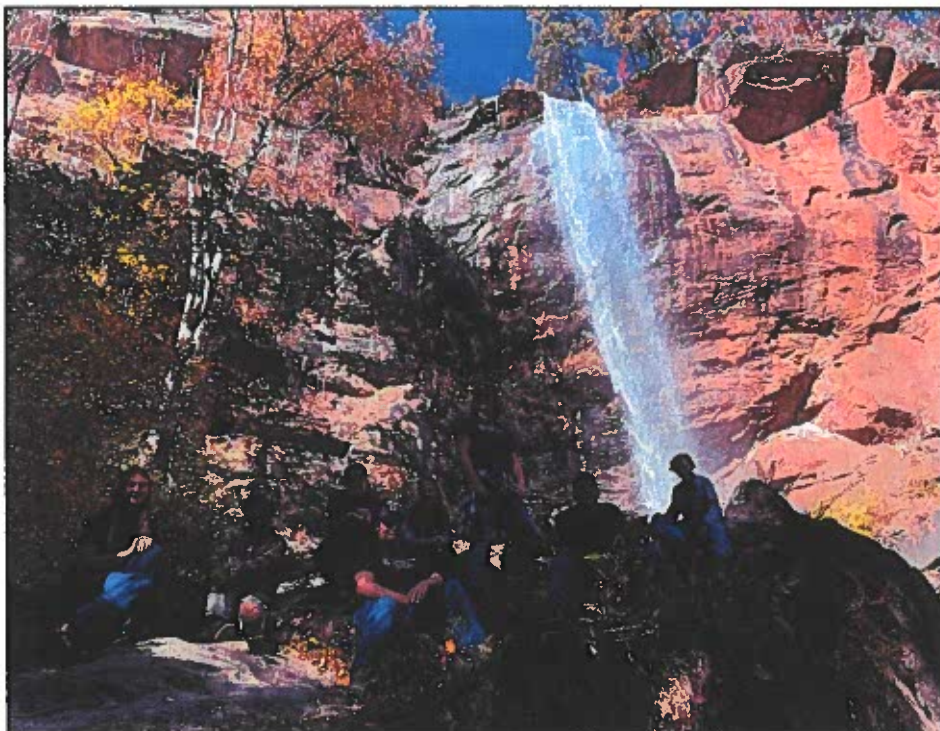
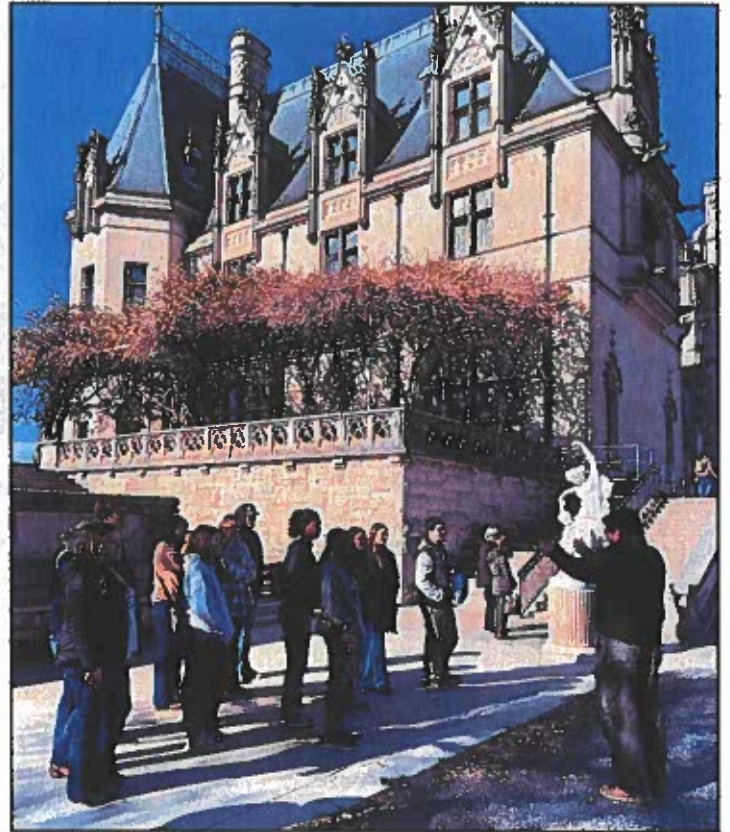




LIVING AND LEARNING IN THE REAL WORLD (CLASS)



Students in our Real World class traveled to Piedmont Technical College to visit with horticulture instructor Jeremy Brooks. He led a tour of the campus and taught our Aggies how to identify Boxwood Leafminers under a microscope. Students also participated in a plant pest identification lab, a look at machine operations and aloe propagation.



A delegation of Aggies ventured to Biltmore Estate Farm and Gardens in Asheville, N.C., in mid-November. The field trip, led by librarian Jennifer Brown, gave the students a chance to explore various sustainable agriculture strategies used at the historic mountain estate.

In late October, a group of Aggies toured North Georgia Technical College and were treated to in-depth presentations about their Environmental Sciences and Horticulture programs. The students also toured Toccoa Falls College and visited their sustainable community farm.





In early December, our Turfgrass CDE Team finished third in the State FFA Super Saturday CDE Event at Piedmont Technical College in Greenwood.



Students in Mr. Abrams' class completed their bluebird box projects in early November, one of many hands-on construction projects taught in our ag classes.

RECRUITMENT & ADMISSIONS REPORT



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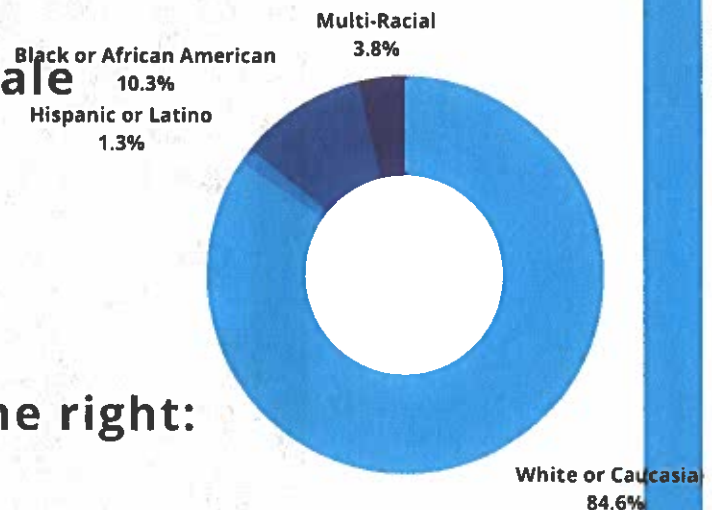
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2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR DEMOGRAPHICS

Starting this school year, we had 78 total students. That consisted of 36 returning students and 42 new students. The breakdown of those students is as follows:

- 35 male students and 43 female students
- 21 - 10th grade students
- 30 - 11th grade students
- 27 - 12th grade students
- 73 Residential Students
- 5 Day Students
- The Ethnicity Ratios are to the right:



These students represent 26 counties from across South Carolina. These students also represent North Carolina (1), Georgia (2), and Florida (1).

Throughout the first semester, and over Christmas break, we did have some student turnover and some student gain. This has placed our current number at 75.

Our goal over this recruitment season, has been to, of course, replace our graduating class of 25 and continue growing as construction allows. The number we are aiming for is 90-95 students next year.



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School Informational Update

Demographics

Principal

- Gregory Thompson

Grades

- 10-12

Student Enrollment

- 75 current students

Full Time Teachers

- 13 current teachers

Full Time Support Staff

- 11 current support staff

Academics

- All Core Classes are taught on an Honors Level.
- Dual Enrollment course through Piedmont Technical College.
- 4 Pathways (offering 24 classes) -
 - Environmental and Natural Resource Management
 - Horticulture
 - Plant and Animal Systems
 - Agriculture Mechanics and Technology

2021-2022 School Year

- The first graduating class of 2022 -
 - 21 Graduates
 - 18 students are currently enrolled in a Post-Secondary School within the state or surrounding states. 3 are currently in the workforce.
 - Earned over \$445,000 in Scholarships.

FARM OPERATIONS EQUIPMENT LIST

TRACTORS

1. New Holland Work Master 40	Not Running
2. John Deere X300	Not Running
3. John Deere X300	Runs Poor Shape
4. Ford 6610	Under Repair
5 John Deere 120 R	Good Condition
6. John Deere 5075E	Not Running
7. New Holland T100	Not Running
8. John Deere 2950	Fair Condition
9. 4 Antique Tractors	Not Running

Dozer's

1. 450 Dozer	Fair Condition
2. 550 Dozer	Fair Condition

Mowers

1. 3 Toro Rear Bagger Push Mowers	Not Running
2. Bolen's Mower	Not Running
3. Bolen's Mower	Fair Condiion
4. ZD Kabota 331	Not Running
5. ZD Kabota 326	Fair Condition
6. ZD Kabota1211	Fair Condition
7. Kabota F2690	Useable
8. John Deere 997	Good Condition
9. John Deere X300	Not Running

9. Stihl Pole Saw	Poor Condition
10. Husqvarna Pole Hedge Trimmer	Fair Condition
11. Husqvarna Handheld Gas Trimmer	Fair Condition
12. Stihl Handheld Gas Trimmer	Good Condition
13. 7 Stihl Chainsaws	Fair Condition
14. 1 Husqvarna Chainsaw	Fair Condition
15. Echo Chainsaw	Fair Condition
16. 1 Stihl Fogger	Good Condition
17. 2 Stihl Sprayer Backpack	Good Condition

Farm Implements

1. 100 Gal. Sprayer	Poor Condition
2. 630 John Deere Moco	Under Repair
3. John Deere Seed Drill	Fair Condition
4. John Deere Corn Planter	Fair Condition
5. Log Splitter	Poor Condition
6. 2 Row Corn Picker	Fair Condition
7. Hay Rake	Under Repair
8. Soil Conditioner	Good Condition
9. John Deere Hay Rake	Poor Condition
10. Brush Hog 10 Ft.	Not Usable
11. Case 8530 Square Bailer	Good Condition
12. New Holland Roll Belt 450	Poor Condition
13. Brush Hog 15 Ft.	Good Condition

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Overview of Farm Operations

Acreage inventory

- Roughly 1330 acres of total land
- 110-120 acres in maintained residential area and areas around facilities
- Approximately 120 acres of managed pastureland
- Approximately 900 acres in timber
- Approximately 190 acres in cropland, undeveloped open areas/ R.O.W etc.

Farm Staff are currently building GIS data to reflect more accurate acreages and integrating this data into the Cattle Max management system that we have available.

Equipment inventory

- 17 Machines that are Ag tractors and mowers
- 47 total implements and attachments
- Adequate number of small engine power tools with some units nearing replacement.
- 2 Ag tractors on lease/ demonstration agreements- Case and Kioti

Some of our Ag tractors are in various stages of repair. Our main units that accomplish most of the work are the JD 2950, Ford 6610, JD 1025, New Holland T4-100, JD 5075E and our 2 free lease tractors (Case and Kioti)

Farm Supplies

- Medical, Supplemental injections and Vaccines for all herds are on hand and inventory is being increased
- Feed and Nutrient supplement supplies are maintained monthly
- Fencing supplies are inventoried and in centralized storage — many supplies are needed for future fence construction and repair

Animal inventory

- 17 Hereford and Black Baldy Cows
- 13 head of Sheep and Goats- mixed breeds
- 6 Breeder Hogs and 9 newborn piglets
- 20 Laying hens
- Assortment of orphaned animals which were bottle fed
- 1 horse owned by JDLH and up to 13 additional horses on free lease or student owned



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Human Resources: An Overview

Please note that our agency does not have Human Resources on location. Our Agency uses Shared Services for most Human Resources needs, but the agency does have a Human Resources Liaison on campus to complete items in person.

- Annual Cost of Human Resources Shared Services- \$85,000.00
- Total Number of Agency Employees: 70
 - o Full Time Employees- 58
 - This does not include our School Resource Officer who is employed through McCormick County
 - o Part-Time Employees- 12
- Salary Range for employees
 - o \$22,500.00- \$126,500.00
- Part-Time Hourly Rate- \$12.00 per hour
- Agency Departments
 - o Administration
 - o Medical
 - o Residential Life
 - o School
 - o Finance
 - o Dietary
 - o Facilities/Maintenance
 - o Farm
- Positions to be filled- Currently working to fill
 - o Farm Foreman- 3 Full-Time Positions
 - o General Maintenance Tech III- 1 Full-Time Position
 - o Fiscal Technician- 1 Full-Time Position
 - o Weekday Activity Coordinator- 1 Part-Time Position
 - o Resident Advisors- 9 Part-Time Positions
 - o Animal Feeding Chaperone- 1 part-time Position
- Positions to be filled in Summer of 2023
 - o Resident Advisor- Full-Time position
 - Due to anticipated loss of staff
- Department Current Projects
 - o Position Postings
 - o New employee paperwork
 - o Revising the agency org chart
 - o Archiving agency employee files
 - o Archiving agency human resources documents
 - o Employee performance review documents

JDLH Maintenance Update

1/18/23

Current Maintenance Staff :

7 Full Time Employees

1 Part Time Employee

2 Janitorial Employees

Vehicles:

14 leased by the Agency

7 owned by the Agency

21 Total

Current Project Status

De LA Howe Hall:

DP3 was awarded the A/E design for the project. Due to increases across the board with construction activities the original estimate for the project was exceeded with the current project estimate. We are awaiting the funds in the new budget this July. However, DP3 is currently working with SCHPO for a acceptable window design/package that would allow the building to be secure and dry until new funding is available.

Security Fencing:

An A/E firm (JLA), is currently working on preliminary concept drawings.

New Greenhouse:

Awaiting Phase 2 approval from JBRC.

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Foundation Update

An Executive Director for our Foundation was hired and began December 1, 2022. The Foundation was the recipient of a large grant from Duke Energy in 2022 with restricted funds totaling \$130,000. The grant was awarded to support the School's agricultural programs, and the new Director is working diligently to disperse the funds according to the details of the agreement. The Foundation also received two restricted donations from AgFirst in 2021 and 2022, both in the amount of \$25,000. One AgFirst Award is being held towards the purchase of a new greenhouse for the school. The other award was designated for scholarships, student participation in leadership conferences, and library resources. The Foundation will be able to award of total of \$28,000 in student scholarships this Spring. The Foundation will continue to seek grant funds and public donations to support the mission of the school.