competitions, testing their skills against competitors from other schools. Those winners advance to state competitions each spring, and state gold medalists earn the right to compete nationally at the SkillsUSA Championships each June. Along with gold, silver, and bronze medallions, competitors may earn scholarships, tools of the trade, and even job offers right off the

competition floor.
Kentucky took 79
students to compete
as both secondary
and postsecondary,
as well as numerous
chaperones and guests.

Those students placing in the top 10 are as follows:

- •Barren County Area Technology Center: Alex Poynter placed 9th in the sheet metal competition.
- •Fern Creek High School (Jefferson County): Parker Bowdy placed 10th in the firefighting competition.
- •Henderson County High School: Tyreese McCombs and Carter Siewert won 3rd place in the interactive app and video game development competition.
- Henderson County High School: Andrew Harrison, Kyen Jiang, Ramsey Watson and Ava Zigler placed
 6th in the Quiz Bowl

competition.

- •Johnson Central High School: Kungnaline (Lin) Han and Paetyn Trusty placed 10th in the 3D visualization and animation competition.
- •Mayfield-Graves County Area Technology Center: Carter Morris placed 6th in the electrical construction wiring competition.
- •Meade County Area Technology Center: James Abell, Lydia Benham, Daxton Blake, Elena Doman, Elizabeth Quillen, Shaune Reardon places 8th in the chapter business procedure competition.
- •Meade County Area Technology Center: Brayden Delaney placed 10th in the CNC 5-axis milling programmer competition.
- •Nelson County Area Technology Center: Keegan Powers placed 8th in the Internetworking competition.

Many Kentucky students also received Skill Point Certificates. Central to these certifications are the expertise and industry-defined competencies compiled in the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards.

Along with a national gold, silver, or bronze medal, the Skill Point Certificate represents the pinnacle of achievement in demonstrating proficiency and workplace readiness in the student's occupational specialty.

The industry leaders who defined the competencies for each contest determined a cut score that indicates excellence for students in technical or leadership events. Contestants who meet or exceed the scoring threshold will earn a Skill Point certificate. Each certificate lists the competency areas tested in the contest and may feature the logos or names of the organizations and companies that planned and managed this year's competitions. Students can place the certificate in an employment portfolio as an indicator of

Those earning Skill Point Certificates to outstanding national contestants in the SkillsUSA Championships:

proficiency.

- •Breckinridge County Area Technology Center: Dania Jarillo-Beltran, crime scene investigation; Kayla Alexander, crime scene investigation; and Chloe Elder, crime scene investigation.
- •Meade County Area Technology Center: James Abell, chapter business procedure; Lydia Benham, chapter business procedure;

Daxton Blake, chapter business procedure; Elena Doman, chapter business procedure; Elizabeth Quillen, chapter business procedure; Shaune Reardon, chapter business procedure; and Mackenzie Shaffer, welding sculpture.

- •Eastside Technical Center (Fayette County): Ayden Hayes, audio-radio production and David Ingram, audio-radio production.
- •Fern Creek High School (Jefferson County): Parker Bowdy, firefighting.
- •Hardin County Schools Early College and Career Center: Daniel Davidofsky, culinary arts and Nate Polley, carpentry.
- •Southern High School (Jefferson County): Hicks Gavin, SkillsUSA Job Skill Demonstration Open.
- •Henderson County High School: Tyreese McCombs, interactive application and video game development and Carter Siewert, interactive application and video game development.
- •Mayfield-Graves County Area Technology Center: Carter Morris, electrical construction wiring.
- Johnson Central High School: Kungnaline (Lin) Han, 3D visualization and animation, and

Paetyn Trusty, 3D visualization and animation.

- •Barren County Area Technology Center: Mollie Hawkins, outstanding chapter; Karden Kinslow, outstanding chapter; Autumn Milton, outstanding chapter; Brady Geary, plumbing; and Alex Poynter, sheet metal.
- •Nelson County Area Technology Center: Keegan Powers, Internetworking.
- •Clark County Area Technology Center: Caleb Bush, related technical math.
- •Boone County Area Technology Center: Jenna Schlosser, first aid/CPR.

Kentucky Farm Bureau awards more than \$810,000 in scholarships to Kentucky students

By **B. Todd Bright** Director, Communication Division

The Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB) Education Foundation today announced it has awarded the highest amount in post-secondary education scholarships in the program's history. In partnership with county Farm Bureaus, the KFB Foundation awarded 601 Kentucky high school seniors a total of \$810,150 in scholarships at both the state and county levels. This brings the total amount of scholarships awarded to over \$3.9 million since the program's inception in 1953.

"Our investment in young people is an investment in the future of Kentucky," said Eddie Melton, KFB President. "We're proud to support these outstanding students who are working hard today, and who are well on their way to becoming the leaders of tomorrow. Whether their academic paths lead them to agriculture or another field, Kentucky Farm Bureau is honored to walk beside them as they take their next steps."

Statewide scholarships include students attending a Kentucky college or university who are pursuing a degree in agriculture or a related field; students attending a Kentucky college or university who are pursuing a four-year degree in animal health/veterinary technology or a related field; students attending a Kentucky college or university who come from farm families; and more. A total of 110 county Farm Bureaus awarded scholarships to local students.

For more information about Kentucky Farm Bureau's scholarship program, visit kyfb.com/scholarships.

KFB Education Foundation Scholarship \$1,000 each Metcalfe: Alyssa Williams

Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation Education Foundation CTE Scholarship -\$1,000 each

Monroe: Jessie Cook Monroe: Larissa Stinson

Monroe County Farm Bureau Scholarship - \$1,000 each
Jesse Cook and Quentin Thompson

NOTICE TO METCALFE COUNTY TAXPAYERS

Shannon Fields, Metcalfe County Court Clerk, pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2024 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) will be published in the Edmonton Herald-News on August 13, 2025. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of 8:00 -4:00 Monday through Friday, 8:00 – 12:00 Saturday at the County Court Clerk's office located at 201 North Main Street, Edmonton, KY 42129. This list may also be inspected on the Metcalfe County Clerk website. The Uniform Resource locator (URL) of the website is *metcalfecountyclerk.com*. The tax sale will be held on September 16, 2025 beginning at 10:00 A.M. All interested participants must register with the County Clerk's office by the close of business on September September 9, 2024. Please contact the County Clerk's office if you need additional information about the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amounts that will be needed. Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk's office any time prior to the tax sale. Please note: All payments must be received in the County Court Clerk's office prior to the tax sale date listed in this advertisement. Payments received after the tax sale has been conducted will be returned without exception. Some delinquencies – although they have been advertised – will be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504 (10) (b). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the County Clerk's office at 270-432-4821.