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NDA ANNOUNCES DELEGATES SELECTED TO ATTEND THE 2025 NEBRASKA AGRICULTURAL YOUTH INSTITUTE

LINCOLN – 220 high school juniors and seniors across Nebraska have been selected to be a part of the Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute (NAYI) this summer. Put on by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA), NAYI brings together hundreds of students every year to learn more about Nebraska agriculture, network with ag leaders and explore career opportunities. NDA selects students to attend NAYI based on their leadership skills, interests and involvement in agriculture. This year, NAYI will be held July 7-11 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's East Campus.

"NAYI provides a unique opportunity to Nebraska high school students," said NDA Director Sherry Vinton. "The Institute introduces young people to the many options that come from a career in agriculture as well as establishing lifelong connections and friendships. Our youth are the future of innovation and advancement in agriculture, and I am excited to see so many young people interested in our state's largest industry."

NAYI is in its 54th year, making it the longest running ag youth program of its kind in the nation. This year's theme is "It's in Our Genes" and the Institute will feature motivational speakers, discussions on agricultural issues, career development, networking opportunities, leadership activities, as well as several hands-on learning opportunities and workshops.

NAYI is coordinated by the Nebraska Agricultural Youth Council (NAYC), which is comprised of 22 college-aged students selected by NDA for their passion and interest in the ag industry. During NAYI, NAYC members provide valuable guidance, insight and advice about agriculture, college coursework and career-building.

To learn more about NAYC or NAYI 2025, visit nda.nebraska.gov/nayi/. Follow NAYI activities on Facebook by searching and liking the Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute and on Instagram by following @the_nayc or #NAYI25.

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NOTE TO MEDIA: A list of the 2025 NAYI delegates and their hometowns is attached. Photos of the delegates can be requested by emailing agr.webmaster@nebraska.gov.

First Name	Last Name	Hometown
Gavin	Bell	Alliance
Ryggin	Meyer	Alliance
Makenna	Quick	Alliance
Shyla	Salcido	Alliance
Josie	Sanders	Alliance
Rozlyn	Wills	Alliance
Josh	Pierce	Amherst
Maggie	Peterson	Ansley
Paisley	Zodrow	Arapahoe
Rylee	Kursave	Arcadia
Adrianna	Mincer	Arlington
Aaron	Fuchs	Arlington
Ella	Dam	Arthur
Kade	Olson	Ashby
Cale	Deseive	Atkinson
Emily	Bohling	Auburn
Mia	Gerdes	Auburn
Charlotte	Metschke	Auburn
Fletcher	Clausen	Axtell
Caleb	Kindschuh	Axtell
Brody	Rouse	Axtell
Noah	Brichacek	Bancroft
Macy	Bearnson	Bassett
Kade	Wiist	Bassett
Amy	Albro	Bayard
Leah	Cerny	Bayard
Ayden	Hunzeker	Beatrice
Carter	Bramlet	Beemer
Katrina	Moyer	Beemer
Josie	Ritter	Beemer
Stella	Kock	Belden
Emily	Van Meter	Bennet
Emma	Huntley	Bennington
Aidyn	Bonifas	Bladen
Cody	Plambeck	Bladen
Eliza	Finken	Blair
Ava	McFarland	Bloomfield
Megan	Macklin	Blue Hill
Annabel	Sauer	Bridgeport
Gretchen	Anthony	Brock
Elizabeth	Hinrichs	Bruning
Colter	Wright	Burwell
Ericka	Larsen	Burwell
Jaylee	Lechtenberg	Butte
Kelynn	Witthuhn	Callaway
Jensyn	Weiss	Cambridge

Carter	Trambly	Campbell
Claire	Lutter	Carroll
Levi	Webb	Central City
Nevaeh	Zulkoski	Clarkson
Raina	Krebs	Clearwater
Kennedy	Hall	Coleridge
Breslynn	Timmerman	Colon
Callen	Jedlicka	Columbus
Emma	Klug	Columbus
Carson	Reiman	Cozad
Addison	Meinke	Crete
Addison	Brase	Davenport
Danica	Bohuslavsky	David City
Dillon	Bohuslavsky	David City
Olivia	Schafer	Daykin
Jacob	Wollenburg	De Witt
Alex	Ankeny	Dixon
Natalie	Ruskamp	Dodge
Braxton	Wisnieski	Dodge
Turner	Happold	Doniphan
Rylen	Soundy	Doniphan
Eli	Rogers	Dunning
Madi	Schwarten	Eagle
Marissa	Oehlerking	Elmwood
Ryleigh	Hanson	Elsie
Odessa	Zadina	Enders
Chase	Hartman	Fremont
Baylor	Behrens	Friend
Zachary	Spohn	Friend
Will	Vyhnalek	Friend
Babe	Weber	Friend
Emma	Graddy	Funk
Cale	Oborny	Garland
Ellie	Janing	Geneva
Austyn	Nun	Geneva
Samuel	Thomas	Gladstone
Garret	Ostrander	Goehner
Bryson	Bickel	Gordon
Casey	Wahlgren	Gothenburg
Alexis	Fisher	Grant
Jacqueline	Gloy	Grant
Nevaeh	James	Greenwood
Addie	Horst	Gretna
Olivia	Ord	Guide Rock
Josette	McConnell	Gurley
Isaac	Olsen	Harrisburg
Breah	Steffen	Hartington

Emily	Greenquist	Hastings
Renata	Valencia	Hastings
Talan	Smith	Hay Springs
Kyndall	Mckinzie	Hayes Center
Arabella	Reed	Heartwell
Elizabeth	Erickson	Hebron
Brooke	Casper	Hildreth
Jett	Johnson	Holdrege
Gracie	Reynolds	Hooper
Carter	Kuenning	Imperial
Sadie	Fortune	Kearney
Jack	Pohlmannn	Kennard
Rylie	Sexson	Kilgore
Mallory	Hottell	Kimball
Lilly	Pehrson	Laurel
Luke	Eisenmann	Leigh
Karly	Wendt	Leigh
Theron	Mlnarik	Lincoln
Mila	Waite	Lincoln
Malynn	Boyles	Litchfield
James	Fletcher	Litchfield
Garrett	Scholz	Loomis
Tyce	Calleroz	Loup City
Alizabeth	Whitley	Lyons
Allison	Unger	Mason City
Dallas	Grunden	Maxwell
Braceton	Hauxwell	Mccook
Sydney	Burkey	Milford
Katelynn	Reiter	Miller
Carter	Milton	Milligan
Sam	Cederburg	Minden
Emma	Grube	Minden
Larissa	Labenz	Minden
Nora	Sonnenfeld	Minden
Jayden	Adams	Nebraska City
Ashley	Caballero-Lazaro	Neligh
Luci	Koinzan	Neligh
Sawyer	Cox	Nelson
Hunter	Stevenson	Nemaha
Morgen	Buss	Norfolk
Sophia	Wolff	Norfolk
Jazlyn	Arensdorf	North Platte
Grace	Wallerstedt	Oakland
Ava	Bayne	Odessa
Alexis	Saatmann	Ohiowa
Carlee	Livingston	Orchard
Shawn	Kavanaugh	Oteo

Parker	Walahoski	Overton
Makenna	Mottl	Palmer
Wyatt	Becklun	Papillion
Ty	Ravnsborg	Papillion
Alex	Roth	Pender
Carter	Hansen	Pender
Reagan	Dearth	Phillips
Layla	Elstun	Pleasant Dale
Ella	Kossow	Pleasant Dale
Cadence	Dixon	Pleasanton
Kailin	Riessland	Pleasanton
Jordyn	Zulauf	Plymouth
Morgan	Havlovic	Prague
Claire	Ahrens	Ravenna
Justine	Pope	Ravenna
Khloe	Cuttlers	Raymond
Kari	Kucera	Red Cloud
Ava	Schmutte	Roca
Bela	Jedlicka	Schuyler
Abby	Reyna	Schuyler
Allison	Vavricek	Schuyler
Addison	Vavricek	Schuyler
Zoey	Gathman	Scribner
Gillian	Hunke	Scribner
Ian	Schiller	Scribner
Aubree	Schlueter	Scribner
Grace	Steel	Scribner
Bryn	Christensen	Seward
Kylie	Hackbart	Seward
Caleb	Jackson	Seward
Kathryn	Naber	Seward
Hannah	Heinrich	Shelby
Aidan	Choat	St. Edward
Garrett	Hansen	Stanton
Kelsey	Amos	Stapleton
Cameron	Berliner	Stapleton
Crew	Witthuhn	Stapleton
Preston	Beattie	Sumner
Isaac	O'Neill	Sumner
Rilyn	Schledewitz	Sumner
Lindsey	Ladehoff	Sutton
Laurel	Moore	Sutton
Taelyn	Filipi	Tobias
Preston	Sjuts	Trumbull
Brooklyn	Fisher	Tryon
Isaac	Goosey	Tryon
Levi	Goosey	Tryon

Kamilla	Johnston	Tryon
Rachael	Kemp-Powers	tryon
Saije	Phelps	Tryon
Hayden	Reznicek	Ulysses
Kate	Boudreau	Upland
Cissanie	Krohe	Utica
Sarah	Payne	Utica
Kennedie	Assman	Valentine
John	Fulton	valentine
Sari	LaDeaux	Valentine
Doc	Lancaster	Valentine
Grace	Murphy	Valentine
Maeli	Patterson	Valentine
Ella	Brennemann	Valentine
Josephine	Turnbull	Waco
Riley	Ziegler	Waco
Esther	VanOverbeke	Waverly
Peyton	Hutchinson	West Point
Brooklyn	Steffen	West Point
Isaac	Wooldrik	West Point
Landon	Peterson	Western
Jake	Rezac	Weston
Danny	Taylor	Whitman
Hayden	Woerner	Wilber
Austin	Hatterman	Wisner
Taylor	Scholting	Wisner
Hayden	Schroeder	Wisner
Logan	Meguire	Wood River
Kaycee	Tompkin	Wood River
Claire	Brugger	York
Alexis	Davis	York
Reese	Hirschfeld	York
Savanah	Warren	York