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August Aggie Grads

By NCTA News

The August graduating class of NCTA was a small but mighty group of Aggies who made the most of their final session in the summer of 2023. These eight students completed degrees and certificates and are well-prepared to impact the agriculture and animal health industries.

Dean Larry Gossen applauds their hard work to complete the degree requirements, “We appreciated the impactful work of the August graduates during the summer session, with several participating in internships that were extremely beneficial to the college. Our Animal Science graduates who cared for our campus’ livestock on the ranch crew were also willing subjects for an Agribusiness intern who launched an amazing new social media platform for promoting NCTA.

It was absolutely wonderful to witness the passion, hard work, and enthusiasm of this small group of students. Congratulations and best wishes for success and happiness. We are proud of you!”

August 23 Graduates

(Nebraska cities, unless otherwise noted.)

Aurora – Lexi Schaffert, Veterinary Tech AAS

Curtis – Alexis DiGrioli, Veterinary Tech AAS

Falls City – Gwenyth Olberding, Agriculture Production AAS

Knoxville, TN – MaKayla Huddleston, Agriculture Production AAS, Equine Training Mgmt Cert.

Lincoln – Nathaly Dragoo, Ag Production AAS, Agribusiness Mgmt. AAS

Minden, IA – Sarah Jones, Ag Production AAS, Cert. Equine Training Mgmt.

North Platte – Maddy Carr, Agriculture Production AAS


Wahoo – Jazlyn Nelson, Agriculture Production AAS

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