



NEBRASKA COLLEGE OF TECHNICAL AGRICULTURE

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Crops Team Places First

By NCTA News

The NCTA Crops Judging Team opened their season on a high note by placing first in the 2-year college division. The competition was held on Saturday, February 24, at Hutchinson Community College in Hutchinson, KS.

Agronomy Professor Dr. Brad Ramsdale, coach, shared of the event, "The Hutchinson Crops Contest was another great learning experience for the students. The students have worked very hard during our practices the last six months and I'm very proud of their accomplishments."

The official 4-member team was Chase Glover, Tyler Keener, Leah Schutz, and Jay Mintling. Others competed unofficially.

Individual Awards:

- Tyler Keener was 1st overall individual, 1st in Math Exam, 1st in Lab Practical, 2nd in Plant/Seed ID
- Leah Schutz was 2nd overall individual, 1st in Plant/Seed ID, 2nd in Math Exam, and 2nd in Agronomic Knowledge Exam
- Chase Glover was 3rd in Plant/Seed ID

NCTA will host the next regional competition on our Curtis campus on March 23.



Team members (Nebraska hometowns, unless otherwise listed L – R): Delany Salm (1st year), Kendall, WI; Jay Mintling (1st year), Hayes Center; Wyatt Myers (1st year), McCook, Sean Lucas (1st year), Bailey, CO; Owen Harb (1st year), Grand Island; Tyler Keener (2nd year), Mitchell; Chase Glover (2nd year), Grand Island; and Leah Schutz (1st year), Elwood.

Part of the University of Nebraska system, the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture is a two-year institution with a statewide mission of preparing students for successful careers in agriculture, veterinary technology, and related industries. NCTA is known for its affordable tuition, high job-placement rate for its graduates, and student teams' success in competitive activities, including crops judging, ranch horse events, livestock judging, shotgun sports, stock dog trials, and intercollegiate rodeo. The college is consistently ranked as one of the best two-year schools in the nation.

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