

Waskom FFA 2012-2013

The Waskom FFA currently has a paid membership of 102 students enrolled in grades 7-12 in the Waskom school system, with an enrollment of 209 students (44 MS / 165 HS). We additionally serve and support students below the 7th grade as Jr. FFA members.

***Number of students actually competing in events/activities –**

Leadership Teams – 42; Judging Teams- 62; Exhibiting Livestock or Ag Mech Projects- 57

*** The Waskom FFA Jackpot show held at the Marshall City Arena in August drew 354 entries from three states with a payout of \$8,500.00 with over 1,100 in attendance.**

* Waskom FFA officers host “Waskom FFA Greenhand Orientation” each year to introduce incoming students to the FFA program and it’s opportunities at Waskom.

*** Waskom FFA won the District Sweepstakes award for leadership for the 4th consecutive year by scoring more points than any other school in the district.**

*** Seven of our eleven leadership teams advanced to Area by placing in the top 3 in district. Our leadership teams have advanced to the area level every year for the past 23 years.**

* Waskom FFA horticulture students held two plant sales each year in October and April, and the greenhouse showed a profit of \$400 with plants still for sale in the greenhouse.

* Five exhibitors showed steers and heifers in Ft. Worth and Houston, with a class winner in Houston and 2 in the top 5 at Ft. Worth.

* Waskom FFA judging teams competed in: **R** – regional qualifier **S** – state qualifier

Wildlife ®	Livestock	Meats (S)	Nursery/Landscape
Forestry	Dairy Cattle	Poultry	Farm Business
Vet Science	Tractor Tech (S)	Horse Judging (S)	

* Wildlife qualified for regional’s for the 8th consecutive year with Robby Goode winning high individual for the 2nd consecutive year. Waskom placed 9th in the area and 17th in the region.

* Jr. Livestock placed 30th out of over 130 teams at the Houston Contest with a team of four 7th graders competing in their first contest ever.

* Jessica Williams was the high individual in the Area VI Horse Judging Contest with over 150 students competing and the team placed 4th and qualified for State Competition at Texas Tech.

* Tractor Tech qualified for the State Contest in its first year of competition.

* The Meats judging team qualified for the State Contest for the 2nd consecutive year.

*** The 22nd Annual Waskom FFA / Harrison Co. Farm Bureau Leadership Contest held annually on the 2nd Saturday in November had 17 schools and over 550 students competing in 12 different events. WISD also hosted the Longview District Leadership Contest.**

* Waskom FFA livestock exhibitors showed 43 pens of rabbits, 34 head of lambs & goats, 12 steers & heifers, 8 pigs, and 8 shop projects at the Harvest Festival & Farm-City Week Shows during the year and were rewarded with over \$100,000 in the premium sales for the 2nd consecutive year (\$70,765 at Farm-City Week last month).

*** Waskom FFA members are eligible to apply for seven different scholarships each year that are only available to FFA members. Waskom FFA has also won more scholarships at the Harvest Festival and Farm-City Week than any other school or group eligible to apply.**

6 graduating seniors received scholarships this year directly related to their activities / accomplishments in FFA. Current total \$17,000 with some scholarships still pending.

* Community Service –

*Floral Design classes created arrangements for every female faculty or staff member in WISD for Valentine’s Day.

*Floral Design classes created 6 large center piece arrangements for breast cancer survivor’s banquet, which were later awarded as door prizes.

*Ag Mech classes built a raised bed / sandbox with a pergola top for Waskom VFD to auction off at annual fundraiser, item sold for \$450.

*FFA officers/members deliver and serve watermelon to campers & staff at "I'm Still Me" burn camp @ Scottsville each June.

*FFA officers / members take animals to Marshall City Arena on Saturday morning during Marshall Pro Rodeo for petting zoo for special needs children, 85 children attended

*Waskom FFA coordinates annual tail gate party and sheet contest @ home football game each year.

*Waskom FFA members / advisors set up homecoming activities each year on fb field.

*FFA members work auction @ Harrison Co. Farm Bureau annual meeting to raise funds for youth activities in addition to donation of auction items.