



NORTH CAROLINA FFA



In January, the North Carolina FFA State Officers, State Advisor, and NC FFA Foundation Associate Director visited Wayne Sanderson Farms and Feed Mill, hosted by Matthew Wooten and his team.

The State Officers went behind the scenes at Wayne-Sanderson Farms to explore the world of feed milling. Beyond the tour, the visit served as a forum for discussing the industry's evolution and the importance of inspiring the next generation of farmers and specialists. The team showcased how agriculture degrees translate into rewarding careers that keep the industry moving forward.

FFA UPDATE

During the month, our 6 North Carolina FFA State Officers visited a variety of chapters across the state. One of the highlights for State Officer Josiah Saravia was visiting the Weldon FFA Chapter for their Rechartering Ceremony!

"The chartering ceremony opens the door to endless possibilities within FFA. Getting to help charter the Weldon FFA Chapter meant watching that door open for students who now get to be a part of an organization that will benefit them for a lifetime."

- Josiah Saravia, North Carolina FFA State Vice President



CLASSROOM UPDATE



Mikayla Thompson
North East Carolina Prep

NCATA Regional Teacher of the Year - Northeast Region

This month, we recognize Mikayla Thompson in our Regional Teacher of the Year Spotlight! Mrs. Thompson has been teaching for 4 years and is currently teaching at North East Carolina Prep. The courses she has taught include: Horticulture and Sustainable Agriculture.

The Middle Grades curriculum is being updated! There will be a middle grades curriculum rollout event on April 22nd at the Rowan County Event Center! This event is open to middle grades teachers. More details and registration will be shared in late March.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Established in August 2025, the Catamount Agricultural Association is a new collegiate FFA chapter at Western Carolina University dedicated to service, innovation, and community visibility. While still in its foundational year, the chapter is actively developing future initiatives to strengthen its local partnerships and long-term impact on agricultural education in Western North Carolina.



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HOW TO GET INVOLVED

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- Volunteering
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 - Interested in joining or starting a FFA Alumni Chapter? Click [here](#) for more information.