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This year the Outstanding Middle/Secondary Agricultural Program was awarded to Jordan Donnerbauer and the Stanley-Boyd High School agriculture program at the 2021 WAAE Professional Development Conference held on June 27-29, 2021 at Radisson in La Crosse, WI.

The Outstanding Secondary/Middle School program award recognizes agricultural education programs and their instructors who have excelled in membership, as well as participation in W.A.A.E. and other professional associations, through classroom instruction, FFA involvement, and community service. This state-level honor is sponsored by Don and Mary Josko.

The Stanley-Boyd Agricultural Education Program currently has 171 high school students enrolled in an agriculture course along with 74 eighth grade students. The program consists of one Agricultural Educator and two FFA Advisors.

As an Agricultural Education Instructor & FFA Advisor Jordan's priority is simple; teaching his students about agriculture. The Stanley-Boyd Ag Program takes great pride in offering effective classroom and laboratory instruction to ensure that all graduates of the program will be better prepared for career success and informed choices in the food, fiber, and natural resource industries. The School District of Stanley-Boyd owns 80 acres of land and is utilized whenever possible to conduct soil samples, forestry measurements, and crop yields to name a few. Students manage both an orchard and Christmas tree plantation where students make management decisions.

Specific examples of Stanley-Boyd FFA successes include: one National Proficiency Finalist, nine State Proficiency winners, 100+ Gold Rated Proficiencies, 25 State Degree recipients, nine American Degree recipients, 13 FFA State winning Career Development Event Teams, three State winning LDE winners, County Dairy Judging Champions nine times, and being selected for the Award of Excellence at the University of Wisconsin River Falls Ag Tech Contest eight years in a row with over 50 FFA members participating in a CDE for ten consecutive years.

WAAE is the professional association for agricultural educators in Wisconsin. The focus of the association is to provide professional development, legislative support and educational resources for teachers to enhance their local agriculture education programs.

For more information about your local agriculture education program and to find out how you can support agriculture in your community, please contact your local agriculture education instructor or call WAAE at www.waae.com.

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