

Land Judging Contest

The Land Judging contest is a middle school and high school competition that challenges students to gain a better understanding of soil structure and land evaluation. Land Judging enables each participant to learn how to recognize the physical features of the soil, determine land capability for crop productions and evaluate management practices needed for proper stewardship. Soil, land and home-site evaluation, provide a setting for students to investigate the soils in their region, the environment that surrounds them and their effect on their daily lives. The Annual Land Judging contest was held on Thursday, December 1, 2011 at Dennis Carlton site with students from Hillsborough County Public Schools – Randall Middle School, Newsome High School, Armwood High School, Spoto High School, and Strawberry Crest High School. Pam Walden, Agri-Business & Natural Resources with Hillsborough County Schools, coordinated the contest. The food was prepared and provided by a dedicated and a long time veteran of the Land Judging Contest, Douglas Holmberg. The lunch and awards ceremony was held at the Hinton's Farm off of Sydney Dover Road. The winners of the 2011 contest are as follows: High School - 1st Place Strawberry Crest High School with a high score going to Kade Green; 2nd Place Newsome High School; and 3rd Place Armwood High School; Middle School – 1st Place Randall Middle School with the high score going to Nick Dosik.



1st Place – Strawberry Crest High School



1st Place – Randall Middle School