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NYCAMH Farm Safety Art Contest Winners Announced [Cooperstown, NY]

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reflective, high visibility clothing and adding lighting and marking to equipment.

Congratulations to the winners of NYCAMH's 2023 Farm Safety Art Contest! The annual contest, hosted by the New York Center for Agricultural Medicine and Health (NYCAMH), garnered 34 entries from youth across the state, focused on this year's theme "High Visibility – Be Safe by Being Seen." Entries communicated how farmworkers can make themselves more visible by wearing bright colored,

This year's competition was open to traditional print entries, but also featured a new digital category, with students being able to craft their designs digitally using the program of their choice. Pauline Boyer, NYCAMH's Outreach Supervisor, remarked, "I'm very excited to see this safety poster contest grow both in number of youth reached and with the addition of the digital submissions." The winners are as follows:

9-12 years old:

1st Place Print Entry -Jocelyn B., 9, Montgomery County2nd Place Print Entry -Elizabeth B., 9, Montgomery County

1st Place Digital Entry - Ethan M., 10, Chemung County 2nd Place Digital Entry - Madelyn G., 10, Tioga County

13-19 years old:

1st Place Print Entry - Hannah H., 16, Erie County 2nd Place Print Entry - Joseph M., 14, Oneida County

1st Place Digital Entry - Hunter C., 19, Cattaraugus County 2nd Place Digital Entry - Olivia L., 16, Cattaraugus County

The final scores for entries were based on the safety content, overall design, and text. Judges were impressed with the designs received, with Dahlia Sheehan-Yassin, Outreach Coordinator at NYCAMH sharing, "It was a joy to see how students used combination of creative arts and safety education to

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create a unique work of art. I am already looking forward to next year's art contest!" Photos of the winning entries can be found on the NYCAMH Website at https://www.nycamh.org/news.php?id=1002 In conjunction with the competition, some classrooms of agricultural students opted for a supplemental virtual lesson on the topic of high visibility given by NYCAMH Agricultural Safety Educator, Christina Day. To learn more about NYCAMH programs related to farm safety, visit www.nycamh.org.

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