

Burke County 4-H Wins District 4-H Forestry Contest

A group of Burke County 4-H'ers traveled to Reidsville on August 31 to compete in the Southeast District 4-H Forestry Contest. 4-H'ers must learn to identify numerous Georgia tree species, insects and diseases, estimate tree timber volume by measuring tree heights and diameters, and use a compass and step factor to measure a given area.

Burke County 4-H'ers swept the contest, winning first place in both the Junior and Senior contest and bringing home first, second and third place individual awards in both contests. The junior contest high individual was Lelan Eberly, second was Kristen VanDeRyt, and third was Michaela Pollex. High individual in the Senior contest was Jennifer McDaniel, second was Kitty Shepherd, and third was Brenden Eberly. The Senior team will compete in the state contest in September at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center. Volunteers Jane McDaniel and Barbara Hammond did an outstanding job coaching the team. Thank you to all the parents, volunteers, and supporters who helped make this success possible!

Caption:

Back row from left: Bryce Dillard, Brenden Eberly, Jennifer McDaniel; middle row from left: Kendall Eberly, Lelan Eberly, Kitty Shepherd, Cynthia Eberly, Taylor Mizelle, Amada Durant, Jessica Dixon, Michaela Pollex; front row from left: Kristen VanDeRyt, Marcus Dixon, Louisa Shepherd