

BOONSBORO WINS 2022 WASHINGTON COUNTY ENVIROTHON



The 2022 Washington County Envirothon was held on April 22, 2022, at the Washington County Public Schools Headquarters in Hagerstown, MD. This year's competition coincided with Earth Day. Seven school teams from Boonsboro, Smithsburg, and Washington County Technical High School were on hand for the competition. Students were tested with hands-on activities in soil science, aquatics, forestry, wildlife, and “Waste to Resources”.

Wooden plaques were presented for the top score in each area of study and each of the teams with the top three overall scores received a framed wildlife print for school display. The top team overall also gets the trophy to display for one year. Dr. Boyd Michael, WCPS Superintendent, and Ms. Ginger Noble, MDA/WCSCD, presented the awards for the overall first, second, and third place teams. Also present were Mr. Christopher Kopco, WCPS STEM and Environmental Literacy Coordinator and Mr. Steve Garland, CTE Lead/Resource Teacher.

The Boonsboro Wildlife Wranglers placed first in the competition. The team also took top honors in all 5 test areas. The team will travel to the Maryland State Envirothon on Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at University of Maryland Clarksville Farm in Howard County, MD.

Team members, spent many hours preparing for the event and are looking forward to representing Washington County at the State level of competition. Boonsboro Coach Elizabeth Comstock is very proud of his team's performance at this year's event. Team members were: Lilly Leadingham, Emma Bonner, Emma Price, Nate Monaghan, and Kiley Ryan.

The Boonsboro High School Rat Pack team placed second at the event. Team members were: Emma Hamilton, Cheyenne Auth, Emerson Redden, Logan Harwood, and Eli Price. They also placed second in Wildlife, Soils, and Forestry.

The Washington County Tech High Metallix team placed third at the event. Team members were: Connor Ceci, Cody Sprecher, Jeffrey Maldonado, and Summer Righter. The team also placed second in Aquatics.

The Washington County Envirothon is an educational outreach program of the Washington County Soil Conservation District in cooperation with the Washington County Public Schools. Staff from the Washington County Soil Conservation District, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, and the Maryland Department of Agriculture, provided resource professionals for training and testing of participants. Financial support comes from The Washington County Soil Conservation District, Washington County Public Schools, Ecotone, Inc., Washington County Farm Bureau, Inc., Don Spickler Insurance, LLC., Fox & Associates, Inc., Frederick, Seibert, and Associates, Inc., Mid-Atlantic Farm Credit, A. C. & T., Albright, Crumbacker, Moul, & Itell, LLC., C. R. Semler, Inc., H. & H. Well Drilling. Paul Crampton Contractors, Inc., and DRI/TTC Vista, LLC.



1st, 2nd & Third place Teams:
BHS Wildlife Wranglers
BHS The Rat Pack
WCTH Metallix

2022 WASHINGTON COUNTY ENVIROTHON WINNERS

1st Place Winners – Boonsboro High School – Wildlife Wranglers



Left to Right

Emma Price, Kiley Ryan, Nate Monaghan, Lilly Leadingham, Jacob Bonner, and
Dr. Boyd Michael (not pictured: Coach Comstock)

2nd Place Winners – Boonsboro High School – The Rat Pack



Left to Right

Emerson Redden, Logan Harwood, Eli Price, Emma Hamilton, Cheyenne Auth, and
Dr. Boyd Michael (not pictured: Coach Comstock)

3rd Place Winners – Washington County Tech High - Metallix



Left to Right

Summer Righter, Connor Ceci, Jeffrey Maldonado, and Dr. Boyd Michael
(not pictured: Cody Sprecher Coach Foster & Coach Vann Harrell)