

Fonda-Fultonville Students Dominate 2nd Grade Awards in NY Agriculture Contest

The 2012 "I Love NY Agriculture Art & Writing Contest" results demonstrate an understanding and affection for agriculture in the Mohawk Valley as three Fonda-Fultonville second grade students took top honors in their grade level. First place honor went to Joshua Miller, with Dylan Cotter second place and Nicholas Hastings taking third place. Second grade student contestants were challenged to submit a painting or color drawing on 8 1/2" by 11" paper with a four-sentence paragraph on this theme: *My Favorite New York Food and Where It Comes From*. More than 1000 pieces were submitted this year from elementary school students across New York State, according to Katie Elliott-Engle, coordinator of the New York Agriculture in the Classroom Program at Cornell University.



1st Place

Joshua Miller
Fonda-Fultonville

"My favorite New York food that is good for me is the apple. But I also love bacon which comes from a pig. Bacon is delicious with eggs! I love New York food!"



2nd Place

Dylan Cotter
Fonda-Fultonville

"Picking berries is sweet family fun. We go to local farms to pick. We empty our baskets to wash them up. Strawberries are yummy in my tummy."



3rd Place

Nicholas Hastings
Fonda-Fultonville

"My favorite New York food is apples. Apples are grown and picked from trees in the fall. People can make cider, pies, donuts, crisp, sauce, and candy apples. My family has four apple trees in our back yard."