

2022 Winners: Gorey Community School, Co Wexford



Ireland's most popular Ag Science school's competition is looking for applications!





If you're in Transition Year, here's your chance to shape the future of farming!

Aims of the competition

To encourage second level students to gain a greater understanding of sustainable beef production on Irish Family Farms.

Stage 1 - Video

Enter by uploading a 3-minute video to YouTube as unlisted, which explains the following;

- Introduction to your schools and team members
- Role of Ag Science within the school
- Pick a project theme that you consider important such as improving Animal Genetics, Sustainable Agriculture, Farm Health & Safety, increasing Consumer Awareness of Quality Irish Beef
- Why would you like to win 5 Angus calves

YouTube video link should be emailed to **schools@certifiedirishangus.ie** along with the completed online entry form from our website.

Closing date is 18th November 2022.



Students from Ashbourne Community School,
Co. Meath

Stage 2 - Shortlist interviews and finalist selection

- Judges will shortlist a number of groups for interviews based on their video
- Attend an interview from which a selection of entries are invited to attend an
 exhibition event in Croke Park in March

Stage 3 – Croke Park exhibition

- Establish a stand at Croke Park Events Centre to demonstrate your ideas
- Judges for the event will be Agriculture and Food industry representatives
- Judges will ask questions based on ideas presented and plans for the calves if successful in winning
- Five groups win 5 six-month-old Angus cross calves



2022 runners up: Carrick-on-Shannon Community School, Co Leitrim

Stage 4 National Ploughing Championships

- The five successful groups attend for the 3 days where they explain to the public their ideas
- Presentation of 5 Angus calves worth €3,500 made by special guest to each group

Stage 5

- Each finalist will be assigned a theme for their project
- The calves may be reared on the students' family farms or by arrangement with Certified Irish Angus
- Students will rear calves through to finishing over 14 months to coincide with their Leaving Certificate studies
- Students will benefit fully from the financial gain derived from the production of the cattle
- A final presentation of their projects will be made to a panel of Agricultural and Food industry experts before an overall winner is selected
- One school will be chosen as the overall winner and will receive an additional €2,000 payment towards their further education



Who is the competition for?



Transition year students only



Groups of 2-4 students



Urban & rural schools with or without a farming background

How will I benefit?



Build confidence and enhance self development



Amplify public speaking and presentation skills



Assist Leaving cert studies in:

- Agricultural Science
- Biology
- Home Economics
- Business Studies
- Mathematics
- Geography

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