

# ALABAMA FFA SOUTH DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Dates:

- October 5, 2022: Greenhand Conference
- October 13, 2022: State Dairy Judging Contest
- November 12, 2022: South District Livestock Judging Invitation - National Peanut Fairgrounds

# President's Newsletter

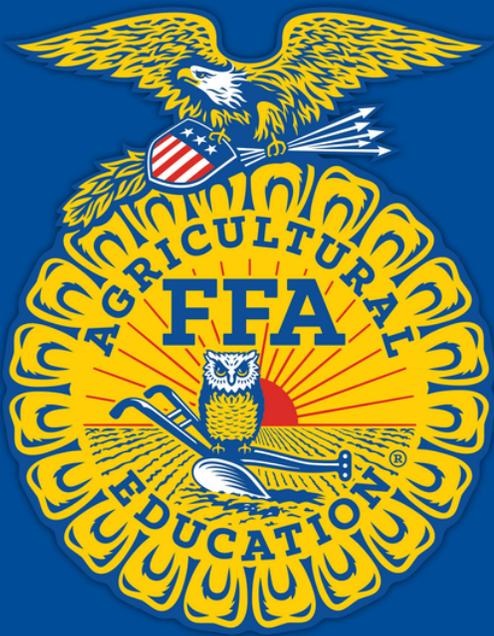


My name is Gracie Singley and I'm a senior at Southern Choctaw High School. This year I have the immense privilege of serving as your 2022-2023 South District President. My FFA story started the summer before 6th grade when I went to the State Convention with my older brother and all of his friends. I remember being amazed by the cool blue jackets, all of the booths, and how much courage it must have taken the state officers to deliver the retiring addresses. Above all else, I remember how much fun my brother and his friends had.

Not just having fun at the sessions and booths, but studying together for competitions and actually getting to compete. I knew then that I would definitely be in FFA one day. Fast forward to seventh grade and I was formally introduced to FFA by being recruited to compete on the Quiz Bowl and Dairy Judging teams. Through the years I've also competed in Horse Judging, Livestock Judging, and Creed Speaking. All of these

CDEs have improved me in so many ways, from boosting my speaking skills and self-confidence to building up my responsibility and perseverance. That's why it was such a huge honor to be able to serve as the South District's 2021-2022 South District Vice President

last year. I was able to give workshops in different schools, meet many interesting and hardworking people, and make some amazing memories. More than anything though, I was able to serve an organization that has given me so much over the past few years. From lifetime friends to skills that are crucial to my future. That's why I'm so excited to have the honor to serve FFA another year as a district officer!



**Gracie Singley**  
**South District President**  
**2022-2023**

# Secretary's Newsletter



Hey Alabama! My name is Jessa-Lynn Adkins and I am serving as your South District Secretary. I joined FFA in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade with the Foley middle school program. I am now a sophomore at Robertsdale Highschool and happier than ever in my journey through FFA. As a little girl I always dreamed of being on a district team and being one of the FFA kids in my town. I grew up around a lot of agriculture, mainly showing livestock. When I joined FFA I immediately signed up for Creed speaking, not having a clue what it was for. I had the honor of competing for the state and the rest is history. I have had so many supporters in my journey including state officers, advisors, chapter members, and most definitely my mother. I want to be a supporter for you. I want to help you through your journey and help you grow as members. Through FFA and showing cattle I have met many people who have taught me to find my passion through the hardships and I hope to do the same for you. As we are entering yet another year of FFA I hope we all learn from the hardships we have faced. I know these past few years were not easy for any of our members. Our amazing National FFA Organization have pushed through and have worked hard to keep our members involved. Let's take off with the new opportunities and rock this year!

**Jessa-Lynn Adkins**  
**South District Secretary**  
**2022-2023**

# Treasurer's Newsletter



**Hello Everyone!**

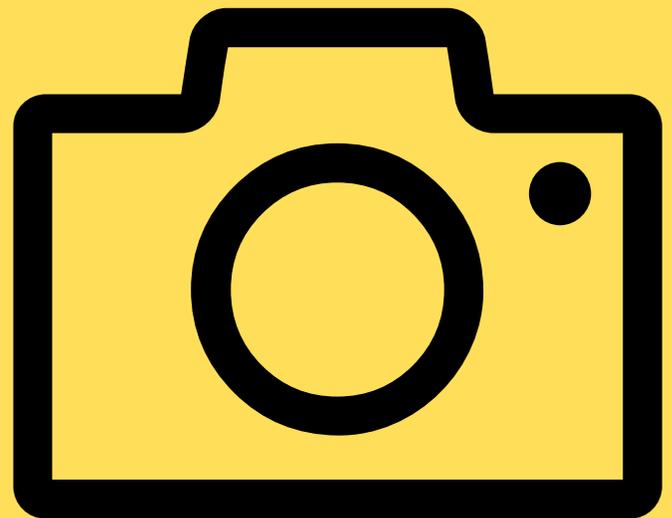
**My name is Elizabeth MacAloney, I'm serving as your 2022-2023 South District Treasurer! I come from a small town call Midland City where I have my own show pig breeding business, raise a small herd of cattle and a flock of chickens. I am a junior at Dale County High School, I serve as student advisor for my chapter as well as participate in many clubs throughout my school. My SAE is swine production, diverse livestock and honey production. My future plans are to graduate from Auburn University or Mississippi State University with a bachelor's degree in Animal Science/Nutrition and be a part of the college livestock judging team. Overall I would one day want to continue to further my show pig breeding business, judge for livestock shows, and own a couple of chicken houses. During my free time you can always find me with my family, in the barn, or at the gym! I'm so excited for this year with South District! Always remember to let your light shine!**

**Elizabeth MacAloney  
South District Treasurer  
2022-2023**

# Reporter's Newsletter

**My name is Jayden McMillian and I am serving as the 2022-2023 South District Reporter. I am a junior at McKenzie High School, where I also serve as my chapter's president. I have developed a very strong passion for this organization, which all began with my involvement in Leadership Development Events. Although I may not come from an agricultural background, FFA has presented me with many opportunities and experiences that I will treasure for a lifetime. My SAE's are Ag Education and Ag Communications. With my SAE's, I advocate about the importance of agriculture, current agricultural issues, and even our organization. Serving as your South District Reporter is truly an honor, and as we say in our motto, "I am Living to Serve!"**

**Jayden McMillian  
South District Reporter  
2022-2023**



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# Sentinel's Newsletter



**Hello Alabama FFA, my name is Catherine Andrews and I will be serving you again this year as your South District Sentinel! I am 17 years old and attend George W. Long High School where I am very involved in many things. I have been in the National FFA Organization for four years now and have loved every minute of it! I never could have imagined that I would come this far in my journey. I can not wait to continue serving the South District again this year, and I hope to meet you all!**

**Catherine Andrews  
South District Sentinel  
2022-2023**