

State Star Farmer

Randy Stanfield McNairy Central FFA

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The 2004-2005 Star Farmer is Randy Stanfield of the McNairy Central Chapter. Randy is the son of Charlotte and Arnold Stanfield of Ramer, Tennessee. He is a senior at McNairy Central and the current chapter president. Randy's participation in FFA CDE's was highlighted by being a member of the 2003 West Tennessee Soil Judging Champion Team.

Randy's earliest memories are of working with his family on their diversified farming operation. As a freshman, he began his SAE by renting sixty-eight acres of land from a neighbor and planting it in cotton. His first crop was so successful that he expanded his acreage of cotton and added soybeans the next year. Each year has seen growth and profit for this young farmer. His farming operation in 2004 included 185 acres of cotton, 350 acres of soybeans, and 50 Beefmaster cows..

Randy's background prepared him for his SAE in Fiber and Oil Crop Production. However, he readily admits making his own decisions and risking his own money can be very stressful. He spends a great deal of time researching soil types and adaptability, seed varieties, marketing options, various herbicide combinations and a host of other crop decisions.

He has handled the decision making part of farming with a maturity beyond his years. He has received awards in the FFA Crop Yield contest at both the district and regional level each year. His 185 acres of cotton averaged 2.75 bales per acres for the last two years. His soybean crop of 350 acres averaged 51 bushels in 2004. Hard work, dedication and commitment to agriculture make Randy Stanfield your 2005 Star Farmer.

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