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2011 Academic Rodeo Kinder Critters Contest Results

The 21st Academic Rodeo, produced by the East Texas State Fair completed the Kinder Critters Contest. Over 70 schools registered for the 21st Academic Rodeo with 573 students participating in 14 competitive events. The Kinder Critters Contest encourages creative artistic expression as students create “Critters” from everyday items and give the creations a creative name. This contest is open to Kindergarten students only.

First Place- Tate Winnings, Arp Elementary

Second Place- Weston Rogers, Athens Christian Academy

Third Place- Carson Hazel, Hawkins

Honorable Mentions- Colton Stone, Lindale Early Childhood Center; Ethan Farmer, Athens Christian Academy and Sterlin Sanders, Stepping Stone School, Tyler.

All winners are recognized at the Academic Rodeo Awards Celebration at the conclusion of the 2011 Academic Rodeo on February 24th.

The East Texas State Fair is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes through the operation of an annual event promoting education, entertainment and the spirit of competition. The Fair is committed to agricultural heritage, families and service to the community. Our mission is also to create commerce for Tyler and Smith County by providing venues for others to utilize and by drawing participants to the complex. Since 1992 the East Texas State Fair has offered \$345,000 in scholarships.