Area third-grader among winners of art contest

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RALEIGH — Thirteen young artists, including one from Randolph County, were recently chosen to represent agriculture in the annual Farm to School calendar.

Among the contest winners is Mason Johnson, a third-grader at Hopewell Elementary School in Trinity. Johnson's art teacher was Cori Cagle.

Each month in the calendar depicts the art of a student and represents a different commodity. The calendar also includes a daily fact about agriculture, giving students an understanding of agriculture's role in food production.

This year, the

competition had over 3,500 entries from 67 counties. with entrants from public school students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Prizes for winners include gift cards from the N.C. State Farm to School Cooperative and were awarded at the Got to Be NC Festival in Raleigh on May 19.



Mason Johnson, third-grader of **Hopewell Elementary School in** Trinity, was one of 13 winners chosen in the N.C. Farm to School calendar contest. With Johnson are. from left, Jimmy Gentry, president of N.C. Grange; Cori Cagle, Johnson's art teacher; and Sandy Stewart, assistant commissioner with the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

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