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**Three FLTCC Students Earn State Champion Title at Conservation Competition
Five Receive College Scholarships**

On Thursday, May 21, 2009 students from the Conservation Program at the Finger Lakes Technical and Career Center (FLTCC) in Stanley, participated in the annual New York State Conservation Competition held at Paul Smith's College. Three students placed first in the New York State in their competition area. FLTCC New York State Conservation Champions are:

<u>Student</u>	<u>School District</u>	<u>Event</u>
• Matt Hunt	Marcus Whitman	Bulldozer Log Roll
• Jordan Rundt	Victor	Backhoe Skills
• Nate Swanger	Honeoye	Wildlife & Fish Identification

Other FLTCC students who participated and placed in the competition include:

<u>Event/Student</u>	<u>School District</u>	<u>Place</u>
Bulldozer Trenching		
• Robert Mason	Marcus Whitman	7 th Place
Skid Steer Operation		
• Bren Shane	Geneva	2 nd Place
Tree Climbing		
• Shaun Kunes	Geneva	4 th Place
Chain Saw Cut		
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• Chris Long	Geneva	5 th Place
Bulldozer Backfill		
• David Fritz	Marcus Whitman	5 th Place
Backhoe Skills		
• Eric Paddock	Bloomfield	8 th Place
Axe Throw		
• Eric Paddock	Bloomfield	2 nd Place
Wildlife Identification		
• Tommy Miller	Honeoye	7 th Place
Bow Saw Cut		
• Allan Duncan	Penn Yan	4 th Place
• Chris Long	Geneva	5 th Place
Tree Felling		
• Allan Duncan	Penn Yan	2 nd Place
• Chris Long	Geneva	5 th Place
Tree Identification		
• Allan Duncan	Penn Yan	10 th Place
Pulp Throw		
• Jesse Festa	Midlakes	5 th Place
Team Fire Building		
• Nate Swanger (Honeoye) and Tommy Miller (Honeoye)		3 rd Place
Team Surveying		
• Jake Spoor (Marcus Whitman) and Nate Swanger (Honeoye)		3 rd Place
• Wayne Parker (Canandaigua) and Derek Ulmer (Bloomfield)		5 th Place
Team Pulp Throw		
• Allan Duncan (Penn Yan), Nate Olney (Penn Yan) Nate Swanger (Honeoye), Jake Spoor (Marcus Whitman)		6 th Place

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The following students received college scholarships:

- Jake Spoor (Marcus Whitman) \$400 to Paul Smith's College
- Nate Swanger (Honeoye) \$1,400 to Paul Smith's College
- Bren Shane (Geneva) \$5,000 to Ohio Diesel Tech
- Jordan Rundt (Victor) \$6,000 to Ohio Diesel Tech
- Matt Hunt (Marcus Whitman) \$6,000 to Ohio Diesel Tech

For more information about the New York State Conservation Competition, contact
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