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## Clint Nester Named 2025 Ohio CCA of the Year

**COLUMBUS, Ohio (March 12, 2025)** - The Ohio Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) Program is proud to announce Clint Nester as the recipient of the 2025 CCA of the Year award. Nester serves as a Certified Crop Adviser and co-owner of Nester Ag, LLC, demonstrating his commitment to advancing agricultural practices through precision agriculture and soil health management.

"Clint's strong integration of technology with traditional agronomy sets a high standard for agronomic advice and service," said Jason Hartschuh, chairman of the Ohio CCA board. "His work and commitment at Nester Ag to precision agriculture, nutrient management, soil sampling, data management and variable rate seeding showcases his dedication to enhancing crop yields and efficiency."

"Clint stands out not just for his agronomic expertise, but for his dedication to our farm and community," said a representative from one of his farmer clients who nominated Nester for the award. "He seamlessly integrates the latest agricultural technologies with our needs, driving significant improvements in our operations. His proactive approach, especially in scouting and custom recommendations, has made him indispensable to us. Clint's commitment extends beyond professional services as he actively supports programs in our community."

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Nester was honored at the 2025 Conservation Tillage & Technology Conference in Ada, Ohio, in March. He received a plaque and a \$1500 cash award in recognition of his contributions, courtesy of the Ohio Association of Independent Crop Consultants, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation and Nutrien.

Recent honorees include: Josh Snyder of Sunrise Cooperative; Dr. Alex J. Lindsey, Department of Horticulture and Crop Science at The Ohio State University; Tina Lust, Lust Seed Sales & Service; Thomas Puch, Heritage Cooperative; Wesley Haun, Tiger-Sul Products, LLC; and Don Boehm, Legacy Farmers Cooperative. To view the full list of past award recipients, visit <u>oaba.net/cca</u>.

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## About Ohio CCA Program

The Ohio Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) Program is an educational program that certifies individuals who advise growers on agronomic practices. The CCA Program offers the annual CCA exam twice a year, as well as providing continuing education opportunities for Certified Crop Advisers. CCAs gain expertise in nutrient, soil, water, crop and pest management in order to provide recommendations that follow industry best management practices. The program is administered by the Ohio AgriBusiness Association. For more information about the Ohio CCA Program, please visit <u>oaba.net/cca</u>.

**PHOTO CUTLINE**: Clint Nester (right) receives the CCA Award from Ohio CCA Board Chairman Jason Hartschuh (left) at the 2025 Conservation Tillage & Technology Conference in Ada, Ohio.