

# Salute to Excellence!

## Awards Luncheon 2025

### **Re-Accredited Units**

Department of FCS  
Fort Valley State University  
Georgia

Department of FCS  
University of Tennessee Martin  
Tennessee

### **Betsy Norum**

Rylee Bezoni, IA

### **Family & Consumer Sciences Research Journal Awardees**

Nicole Wanago | Mehri Azizi | Sukyung Seo | Mia Russell

### **Chalkley-Fenn Public Policy Scholar Grant**

Glenda Lindsey

"Empowering Students in Legislative Advocacy for Family and Consumer Sciences"

### **Ruth O'Brien Project Grant**

Kathryn Carroll, CFCS, CPFPE

Rebekah Luong, CFCS

"Utilizing AI-Generated Recipes in a College Food Pantry in Central Arkansas"

### **Jewell L. Taylor Undergraduate Scholarship**

Marissa Cheslock, IN

### **Jewell L. Taylor Graduate Fellowship**

Kimberly Mitchell, AL

### **Leader**

Catherine Lader, WI | Karleah Harris, AR | Mia Russell, MD

### **Affiliate Teacher of the Year**

Cassidy Parsons, MT | Cassy Dalbom, KS |  
Sarah Chooljian, NH | Kimberley Myers, SC

### **Merit Finalist Teacher of the Year**

Ashley Beth Phipps, KY | Bethany Pepe, CFCS, PA

### **National Teacher of the Year**

Mia Battistone, CFCS, MN

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