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# Sen. Frank Barnitz Welcomes to the Capitol Farm Bureau Youth from Gasconade County

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JEFFERSON CITY – State Sen. Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, last week welcomed to the Missouri State Capitol several members of the Missouri Farm Bureau Youth Leadership from Gasconade County. Six youths were accompanied by three chaperones as part of the Missouri Farm Bureau's annual Youth Leadership Day in Jefferson City.

During their visit to the Capitol, the group was able to see the Missouri Senate in action from the senate chamber's side gallery. Sen. Barnitz took the time to introduce to the Senate the Owensville youths: Whitney Angell, Kari Blankenship, Leah Edmondson, Jerod Fritzmeier, Becky Nowark, and Becky Schneider. He also introduced the three chaperones: Ron Hardechke, Dorathea Koepke, and Carolyn Winthorst.

"It was an honor to introduce the Owensville youths and their chaperones to the Missouri Senate for Youth Leadership Day," said Sen. Barnitz, who represents the 16th Senatorial District. "Getting young people interested in state government is a great example of how Farm Bureau plays an important role in the lives of rural Missourians."

Approximately 375 high school students and chaperones from 65 counties participated in Youth Leadership Day activities.

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**Photo attachment:** Senator Frank Barnitz with the Youth Leadership Day delegation from Gasconade County