

**NEWSS Report to WSSA  
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The NEWSS Student Weed Contest is being planned for July 30, 2024, with North Carolina State University serving as host for the event.

2024 - The 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the NEWSS Meeting was successfully held in person at the Hyatt Regency Boston, MA January 8-11, 2024.

2025 - The 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting will be held in Annapolis, MD at the Graduate Hotel January 6-9, 2025

2026 – The 79th Annual Meeting location and host hotel venue is currently being determined for January 2026 and will be communicated once selected.

2027 – The 80th Annual Meeting is proposed to meet jointly with the NCWSS in Columbus, OH in Dec 2026 rather than our customary Jan. 2027 time.

Respectfully submitted,  
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