

### **Iowa FFA Association**

#### The FFA Mission

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership**, **personal growth**, and **career success** through agricultural education.

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### Earlham FFA Chapter Wins 2014 State FFA Horse Career Development Event

The Earlham FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event held at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids on June 10, 2014. Members of the first place team included: Danielle Nemmers, Kendra Nemmers, and Mary Von Rentzell. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Zach Irving and Mr. Charlie Fitzgerald. They will represent Iowa at the National Horse Career Development Event at Louisville, Kentucky, in October. The Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Nick Kilburg, Montana Krogmann, Aaliyah Maze, and Morgan McGarry. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Joel Frost. Danielle Nemmers, Earlham FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 33 chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide the student an opportunity to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Equine Science. The 100 individual contestants evaluated halter and performance classes. They also answered questions over the classes and gave oral reasons to explain their placings. A written examination was included along with a team problem solving competition.

The Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event was made possible through the Iowa FFA Foundation with support from Cargill Animal Nutrition. RAM Truck Brand, Tractor Supply Company, and Wahl Clipper Corporation through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque.

Kirkwood Community College hosted the event and provided a lunch to all participants. The Horse Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Megan Green, Nellie Wilson and other faculty and staff at Kirkwood Community College.

# Top 10 Teams

### 1 Earlham FFA Chapter

2 Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

3 DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

4 Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

5 Muscatine FFA Chapter

6 Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

7 Hudson FFA Chapter

8 Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

9 Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

10 Vinton-Shellsburg FFA Chapter

# **Top 10 Individuals**

Danielle Nemmers, Earlham FFA Chapter

Mary Von Rentzell, Earlham FFA Chapter

Montana Krogmann, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Katie Larkin, Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

Madison Burke, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Jordyn Bolinger, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Tanner Loghry, Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Kate Grover, Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Morgan McGarry, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Abby Kennon, Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

## **Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:**

**Halter Classes** 

Team: Earlham FFA Chapter Individual: Shania Roush, Baxter FFA Chapter

**Performance Classes** 

**Team:** Earlham FFA Chapter **Individual:** Mary Von Rentzell, Earlham FFA Chapter

**Oral Reasons and Questions** 

**Team:** Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake **Individual:** Montana Krogmann, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

**Problem Solving** 

Team: Muscatine FFA Chapter

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (10)

Score Range (1498 to 1329)

Earlham FFA Chapter

Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Muscatine FFA Chapter

Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

Hudson FFA Chapter

Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Vinton-Shellsburg FFA Chapter

**Bronze Teams (7)** 

Score Range (914 to 440)

Denison FFA Chapter

Southeast Warren FFA Chapter at Liberty Center

East Sac FFA Chapter

Nashua-Plainfield FFA Chapter

Monticello FFA Chapter

Bellevue FFA Chapter

Linn-Mar FFA Chapter at Marion

Silver Teams (16)

Score Range (1283 to 1044)

Nevada FFA Chapter

Cascade FFA Chapter

Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Williamsburg FFA Chapter

Baxter FFA Chapter

Collins-Maxwell FFA Chapter at Maxwell

Gilbert FFA Chapter

Pleasantville FFA Chapter

New Hampton FFA Chapter

South Hamilton FFA Chapter at Jewell

St. Ansgar FFA Chapter

Boone A&M FFA Chapter

Central City FFA Chapter

Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon

Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi

Dallas Center-Grimes FFA Chapter at Grimes

The Iowa FFA Association has 219 local chapters with over 14,300 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of nearly 580,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership**, **personal growth and career success** through agricultural education.

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