



## 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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**NEWS RELEASE**  
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### **Muscatine FFA Chapter Wins 2012 State FFA Livestock Career Development Event**

The Muscatine FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Livestock Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on June 18, 2012. Members of the first place team included: Clara Goddard, Eli Joslyn, Erin Lagone, and Grace Saeba. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Dave Fowler, Mr. Dave Tometich, and Mr. Sam Paul. They will represent Iowa at the National Livestock Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The St. Ansgar FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Ben Weis, Olivia Bisbee, Matt Levan, and Kim Beyer. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Andy Johnson. Erin Lagone, Muscatine FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

The FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event provides an opportunity for FFA members to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Livestock Evaluation. Activities included: placing breeding and market classes of beef, swine, and sheep; grading classes of beef, swine, and sheep; and oral reasons classes. There were 158 members participating from 47 chapters.

The Iowa FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was made possible through the Iowa FFA Foundation with support from VitaFerm Sure Champ, Bayer Animal Health Division, Biozyme, Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica and Kent Nutrition Group, through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque.

The Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by John DeClerck and other faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University.

#### **Top 10 Teams**

- 1 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 2 St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
- 3 Bellevue FFA Chapter
- 4 Carroll Area FFA Chapter
- 5 Earlham FFA Chapter
- 6 Osage FFA Chapter
- 7 South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina
- 8 Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter
- 9 Valley FFA Chapter at Elgin
- 10 Seymour FFA Chapter

#### **Top 10 Individuals**

- Erin Lagone, Muscatine FFA Chapter
- Olivia Bisbee, St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
- Eli Joslyn, Muscatine FFA Chapter
- Chance Deppe, Bellevue FFA Chapter
- Ben Weis, St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
- Bryce Tiffany, Earlham FFA Chapter
- Samuel Gehling, Carroll Area FFA Chapter
- Kim Beyer, St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
- Alex McClellan, Coon Rapids-Bayard FFA Chapter
- Mathias Peters, Bellevue FFA Chapter

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

### **Beef Placing**

**Team:** Muscatine FFA Chapter      **Individual:** Erin Lagone, Muscatine FFA Chapter

### **Swine Placing**

**Team:** St. Ansgar FFA Chapter      **Individual:** Chance Deppe, Bellevue FFA Chapter

### **Sheep Placing**

**Team:** Bellevue FFA Chapter      **Individual:** Erin Lagone, Muscatine FFA Chapter

### **Oral Reasons**

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

#### **Gold Teams (21)**

Score Range (1651 to 1452)

Muscatine FFA Chapter  
St. Ansgar FFA Chapter  
Bellevue FFA Chapter  
Carroll Area FFA Chapter  
Earlham FFA Chapter  
Osage FFA Chapter  
South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina  
Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter  
Valley FFA Chapter at Elgin  
Seymour FFA Chapter  
Orient-Macksburg FFA Chapter  
Pekin FFA Chapter at Packwood  
Coon Rapids-Bayard FFA Chapter  
Cascade FFA Chapter  
Ridge View FFA Chapter at Holstein  
Maquoketa FFA Chapter  
Hampton Tall Corn FFA Chapter  
East Sac FFA Chapter  
Harlan FFA Chapter  
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Mediapolis FFA Chapter

#### **Silver Teams (19)**

Score Range (1432 to 1271)

OA-BCIG FFA Chapter  
IKM-Manning FFA Chapter at Manning  
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter  
Creston FFA Chapter  
Central City FFA Chapter  
Charles City FFA Chapter  
Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda  
Collins-Maxwell FFA Chapter at Maxwell  
Indianola FFA Chapter  
Adair-Casey FFA Chapter  
West Marshall FFA Chapter at State Center  
Griswold FFA Chapter  
Guthrie Center Tiger FFA Chapter  
Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon  
Davis County FFA Chapter at Bloomfield  
Nashua-Plainfield FFA Chapter  
West Fork FFA Chapter  
Lone Tree FFA Chapter  
Southeast Warren FFA Chapter at Liberty Center

#### **Bronze Teams (7)**

Score Range (966 to 513)

Audubon FFA Chapter  
North Mahaska FFA Chapter at New Sharon  
Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill  
Tri-County Community FFA Chapter at Thornburg  
DeWitt Central FFA Chapter  
Winterset FFA Chapter  
Fort Madison FFA Chapter

The Iowa FFA Association has 219 local chapters with nearly 13,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 540,00 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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