



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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Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA Wins Iowa FFA Agronomy CDE

The Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Agronomy Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on June 5, 2014. Members of the first place team included: Lindsey Meyer, Nathan Arthur, Logan Lee, and Alyssa Swehla. Their agricultural education instructor and FFA Advisor is Ms. Meghan Bond. They will represent Iowa at the National Agronomy Career Development Event at Louisville, Kentucky, in October. The Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Sarah Smith, Michael Schulte, Kyle Gordon, and Jacob Dougherty. Their agricultural education instructor and FFA Advisor is Ms. Jessica O'Connor. Lindsey Meyer of the Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA Chapter was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams including 94 individuals from 28 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 Agronomy. Activities included demonstration of skills and problem solving in Agronomy, including crop, weed, insect and seed identification; crop and seed judging and evaluation; and grain grading. A written examination and computer application activities were included along with a team problem solving competition.

The top individual receives a \$500 scholarship from the Iowa State University Department of Agronomy if the student chooses to major in Agronomy at Iowa State University. Bayer Crop Science sponsored the State Winning Team plaque through the National FFA Foundation.

The Iowa State University Department of Agronomy hosted the event and provided T-shirts to all participants. The Agronomy Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Mr. Dennis Miller and other faculty and staff with the Agronomy Department at Iowa State University in Ames. The Iowa Crop Improvement Association provided lunch to all participants in the event.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
- 2 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 3 Denison FFA
- 4 Washington FFA
- 5 Maquoketa FFA

Top 10 Individuals

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| Lindsey Meyer | Sumner |
| Nathan Arthur | Sumner |
| Jacob Dougherty | Waukon |
| Emily Boettger | Denison |
| Benton Vest | Newton |

6	Diamond Trail FFA, Monroe	Ty Stender	Washington
7	Newton FFA	Adam Guy	Washington
8	Cascade FFA	Emma Lally	Denison
9	LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City	Logan Lee	Sumner
10	Atlantic FFA	Whitney Figland	Monroe

Specialty Areas – Top Team/Top Individual:

Team Event

Team: Maquoketa FFA

Crops Judging

Team: Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA **Individual:** Nathan Arthur, Sumner

Identification

Team: Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA **Individual:** Adam Guy, Washington

General Knowledge Examination

Team: Denison FFA

Individual: Emily Boettger, Denison

Gold Teams (13)

Score Range (1890 to 1345)
 Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
 Denison FFA
 Washington FFA
 Maquoketa FFA
 Diamond Trail FFA, Monroe
 Newton FFA
 Cascade FFA
 LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City
 Atlantic FFA
 North Polk FFA, Alleman
 Northeast FFA, Goose Lake
 South O'Brien FFA Paullina

Silver Teams (13)

Score Range (1305 to 1047)
 Central City FFA
 Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi
 Central Lee FFA, Donnellson
 Clay Central-Everly FFA
 Forest City FFA
 Indianola FFA
 East Sac FFA, Lake View
 Collins-Maxwell FFA
 New Hampton FFA
 Southeast Polk FFA, Pleasant Hill
 St. Ansgar FFA
 South Tama FFA, Tama
 Williamsburg FFA

Bronze Teams (2)

Score Range (699 to 477)
 Linn-Mar FFA, Marion
 Pella FFA

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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