



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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Denison FFA Chapter Wins 2013 State FFA Horse Career Development Event

The Denison 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 11, 2013. Members of the first place team included: Jane Hoffmann, Taylor Clinton, Emma Lally, and Jordan Volkert. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Ms. Dana Weeda, Ms. Alise Meyers, and Mr. Tim Baughman. They will represent Iowa at the National Horse Career Development Event at Louisville, Kentucky, in October. The Cascade FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Lillie Beringer, Kadie Clark, and Elle Hoffman. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Milt Luckstead. Jane Hoffmann, Denison FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 29 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 96 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 and Theisens. 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 Denison FFA Chapter
- 2 Cascade FFA Chapter
- 3 Earlham FFA Chapter
- 4 Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 5 Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville
- 6 Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco
- 7 Indianola FFA Chapter
- 8 Newton FFA Chapter
- 9 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 10 East Sac FFA Chapter

Top 10 Individuals

- Jane Hoffmann, Denison FFA Chapter
Elle Hoffman, Cascade FFA Chapter
Lane Judy, Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville
Morgan McGarry, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
Jordyn Bolinger, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter
Katie Rinkert, Indianola FFA Chapter
Garrett Nietert, Monticello FFA Chapter
Rachel Knipper, Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi
Lillie Beringer, Cascade FFA Chapter
Natasha Bettin, East Sac FFA Chapter

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Halter Classes

Team: Denison FFA Chapter **Individual:** Halie Amundson, Forest City FFA Chapter

Performance Classes

Team: Denison FFA Chapter **Individual:** Kendra Nemmers, Earlham FFA Chapter

Oral Reasons and Questions

Team: Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville **Individual:** Jordyn Bolinger, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Problem Solving

Team: Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (13)

Score Range (1384 to 1269)

- Denison FFA Chapter
- Cascade FFA Chapter
- Earlham FFA Chapter
- Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville
- Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco
- Indianola FFA Chapter
- Newton FFA Chapter
- Muscatine FFA Chapter
- East Sac FFA Chapter
- North Fayette FFA Chapter at West Union
- Baxter FFA Chapter
- Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi

Silver Teams (11)

Score Range (1246 to 1099)

- Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter
- Oskaloosa FFA Chapter
- Williamsburg FFA Chapter
- Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill
- Central Lee FFA Chapter at Donnellson
- Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon
- South Tama FFA Chapter at Tama
- Vinton-Shellsburg FFA Chapter
- Central City FFA Chapter
- Anamosa FFA Chapter
- Forest City FFA Chapter

Bronze Teams (5)

Score Range (919 to 517)

- Collins-Maxwell FFA Chapter at Maxwell
- Marengo FFA Chapter
- West Delaware FFA Chapter at Manchester
- North Polk FFA Chapter at Alleman
- Monticello FFA Chapter

The Iowa FFA Association has 216 local chapters with nearly 13,400 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 550,000 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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