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News Release

Montezuma FFA Wins Iowa FFA Farm Management CDE

The Montezuma FFA Chapter from Montezuma was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Farm Management Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on April 19, 2016. Members of the first place team included: Tyler Meyer, Shane Helm, Hunter Foubert, and Grant Johnson. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Rick Swenson and Ms. Lindsey Schanbacher. They will represent Iowa at the National Farm Management Career Development Event in Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Osage FFA Chapter from Osage was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Joe Malecek, Matthew Klaes, Adam Koch, and Jared Popp. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Richard Schaufler. Tyler Meyer, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition. The Montezuma FFA Chapter from Montezuma was the winner of the Team Participation Activity.

FFA teams from 85 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 Farm Management. The 318 individuals who participated in the event each completed an objective test which had three sections: economic principles, records and analysis, and risk management. All team members worked together to solve a problem related to break even analysis.

The Iowa FFA Farm Business Management Career Development Event was made possible with support from the Iowa Farm Business Association through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Dr. Ron Deiter, Professor of Economics at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, was the Career Development Event coordinator and prepared the test with assistance from Dr. Georgeane Artz, Assistant Professor of Economics.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 2 Osage FFA, Osage
- 3 Guthrie Center Tiger FFA, Guthrie Center
- 4 Decorah FFA, Decorah
- 5 St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar
- 6 Manson-Northwest Webster FFA, Manson
- 7 Northeast FFA, Goose Lake
- 8 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 9 Emmetsburg FFA, Emmetsburg
- 10 Southeast Polk FFA, Pleasant Hill

Top 10 Individuals

- 1 Tyler Meyer, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 2 Grant Johnson, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 3 Matthew Klaes, Osage FFA, Osage
- 4 Hunter Foubert, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 5 Caleb Finnegan, Guthrie Center Tiger FFA, Guthrie Center
- 6 Shane Helm, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 7 Garret Hemesath, Decorah FFA, Decorah
- 8 Jacob Holck, LeMars FFA Chapter, LeMars
- 9 Joe Malecek, Osage FFA, Osage
- 10 Levi Eden, Algona FFA, Algona

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (29)

Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
Osage FFA, Osage
Guthrie Center Tiger FFA, Guthrie Center
Decorah FFA, Decorah
St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar
Manson-Northwest Webster FFA, Manson
Northeast FFA, Goose Lake
Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Emmetsburg FFA, Emmetsburg
Southeast Polk FFA, Pleasant Hill
Harlan FFA, Harlan
West Liberty FFA, West Liberty
Audubon FFA, Audubon
LeMars FFA Chapter, LeMars
Gilbert FFA, Gilbert
Starmont FFA, Arlington
Rock Valley FFA, Rock Valley
Nashua Plainfield FFA, Nashua
Algona FFA, Algona
Riceville FFA, Riceville
West Lyon FFA, Inwood
Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
Carroll Area FFA, Carroll
Cascade FFA, Cascade
Roland-Story FFA, Story City
Grundy Center FFA, Grundy Center
Davis-Rodgers FFA, Shenandoah
Tri-Center FFA, Neola
Holland FFA, Orange City

Bronze Teams (23)

South Central Calhoun FFA, Lake City
Woodward-Granger FFA, Woodward
Earlham FFA, Earlham
South O'Brien FFA @ Paullina
Albia FFA Chapter, Albia
North Mahaska FFA, New Sharon
Sheldon FFA, Sheldon
Western Christian, Hull
Winterset FFA, Winterset
Mediapolis FFA, Mediapolis
North Union FFA, Armstrong
Marengo FFA, Marengo
Postville FFA, Postville
Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank

Silver Teams (33)

Rockford FFA, Rockford
Central Lee FFA, Donnellson
Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton
Hudson FFA, Hudson
Bison FFA, Buffalo Center
Newton FFA, Newton
Lynnville-Sully FFA, Sully
Monticello FFA, Monticello
Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi
Iowa Falls-Alden FFA, Iowa Falls
Coon Rapids-Bayard FFA, Coon Rapids
Clay Central/Everly FFA, Everly
Tri-County FFA, Thornburg
MVAO FFA Chapter, Mapleton
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
Clarion-Goldfield-Dows FFA, Clarion
East Sac FFA, Lake View
Midland FFA, Wyoming
West Fork FFA
Interstate 35 FFA, Truro
Adel DeSoto Minburn
New Hampton FFA, New Hampton
Hawkeye FFA, West Bend
Waverly-Shell Rock FFA, Waverly
Brokaw FFA, Clarinda
Westwood FFA, Sloan
Mount Ayr FFA, Mount Ayr
Murray FFA, Murray
Creston FFA, Creston
Pilot Creek FFA, Pocahontas
Dallas Center-Grimes FFA, Grimes
Atlantic FFA, Atlantic

Adair-Casey FFA, Adair
Alburnett FFA, Alburnett
Panorama FFA, Panora
Collins-Maxwell FFA, Maxwell
Griswold FFA, Griswold
Williamsburg FFA, Williamsburg
Unity Christian FFA
Forest City FFA, Forest City
Diamond Trail FFA, Monroe

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 14,800 student members as part of 226 local FFA chapters across Iowa. The FFA 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. The Iowa FFA Association was organized by delegates from 23 schools at Iowa State College on May 17, 1929 and is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The Iowa Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the Iowa FFA Association online at IowaFFA.com, on Facebook, and Twitter.