

News Release

SOUTHWEST VALLEY FFA CHAPTER AT CORNING WINS 2021 STATE FFA LIVESTOCK CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

The Southwest Valley FFA Chapter at Corning was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Livestock Career Development Event held at Iowa State University on August 28, 2021. Members of the first place team included: Alyssa Birt, Ethan James, Jake Oathoudt, and Joey Oathoudt. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Blake Anderson and Mr. Steve Sonntag. They will represent Iowa at the National Livestock competitions later this year. The East Union FFA Chapter at Afton was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Elizabeth Hadley, Peyton Long, Abbie Wuebker, and Emmet Long. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Mike Cooley and Mr. James Erlbacher. Nathanial Gaul, Edgewood-Colesburg 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, sheep and goats; keep/cull and oral reasons classes; and a general knowledge test. There were 146 members participating from 44 chapters.

The Iowa FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was made possible with support from the Iowa State University Block and Bridle Club through the Iowa FFA Foundation. The Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Chris Cassady and other faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University.

Listed below are the top teams and individuals in the various parts of the career development event.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Southwest Valley FFA Chapter at Corning
- 2 East Union FFA Chapter at Afton
- 3 Columbus FFA Chapter
- 4 Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 5 Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda
- 6 Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter
- 7 South Central Calhoun FFA Chapter at Lake
- 8 Bellevue FFA Chapter
- 9 LeMars FFA Chapter
- 10 CAM FFA Chapter at Anita

Top 10 Individuals

Nathanial Gaul, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Jason Wright, Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda

Cole Storm, Columbus FFA Chapter

Fayeth Henningsen, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Sierra Wegener, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Alyssa Birt, Southwest Valley FFA Chapter at Corning

Emmet Long, East Union FFA Chapter at Afton

Rachel Miner, Emmetsburg FFA Chapter

Alaina Gebel, Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon

Maverick Duesing, Bellevue FFA Chapter

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Beef Placing

Team: Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

Individual: Nathanial Gaul, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Swine Placing

Team: LeMars FFA Chapter

Individual: Gunnar Smith, Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Sheep Placing

Team: Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Individual: Nathanial Gaul, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Goat Placing

Team: Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Individual: Nathanial Gaul, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Oral Reasons

Team: Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Individual: Nathanial Gaul, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Knowledge Exam

Team: Columbus FFA Chapter

Individual: Judd Swanton, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (9)

Score Range (1695 to 1643)

Southwest Valley FFA Chapter at Corning

East Union FFA Chapter at Afton

Columbus FFA Chapter

Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

South Central Calhoun FFA Chapter at Lake City

Bellevue FFA Chapter LeMars FFA Chapter

Bronze Teams (15)

Score Range (1508 to 478)

Wilton FFA Chapter

Lansing FFA Chapter FFA Chapter

St. Ansgar FFA Chapter

Greene County FFA Chapter at Jefferson Clear Creek Amana FFA Chapter at Tiffin

Pilot Creek FFA Chapter at Pocahontas

West Marshall FFA Chapter at State Center

Turkey Valley FFA Chapter at Jackson Junction

Spencer FFA Chapter

Western Christian FFA Chapter at Hull

DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Cascade FFA Chapter

Southeast Warren FFA Chapter at Liberty Center

Alburnett FFA Chapter

Linn-Mar FFA Chapter at Marion

Silver Teams (20)

Score Range (1632 to 1533)

CAM FFA Chapter at Anita

Westwood FFA Chapter at Sloan

Emmetsburg FFA Chapter

Albia FFA Chapter

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Aplington-Parkersburg FFA Chapter at

Starmont FFA Chapter at Arlington

Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

Sioux Central FFA Chapter

Mount Ayr FFA Chapter

Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming

GTRA

Nevada FFA Chapter

Grinnell FFA Chapter

Roland-Story FFA Chapter at Story City

Atlantic FFA Chapter

MMCRU FFA Chapter at Marcus

Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon

Audubon FFA Chapter

Panorama FFA Chapter

About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 16,500 student members as part of 248 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.