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## News Release

# Osage FFA Wins Iowa FFA Ag Sales CDE

The Osage FFA Chapter from Osage was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Agriculture Sales Career Development Event (CDE) held at Iowa State University in Ames on April 15, 2025. Members of the first place team included: Melanie Bruesewitz, Karena Herrick, Kara Theis, and Ethan Peterson. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Malayne Meyer. They will represent Iowa at the National Ag Sales Career Development Event in Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Hudson FFA Chapter from Hudson was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Reese Hansen, Alston Loeb, Kate Strayer, and Trey Wulf. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Dennis Deppe. Melanie Bruesewitz, Osage FFA, Osage, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 71 chapters participated in this year's CDE designed to provide the student an opportunity to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Agriculture Sales. The 281 individuals who participated in the event each completed an objective test, made a sales presentation, and performed a customer relations practicum. All team members worked together to prepare a marketing plan and make an oral presentation of the plan to the judges.

The Iowa FFA Ag Sales CDE was made possible with support from Iowa FFA Foundation Gold Standard Partners. The event was coordinated and conducted by Alaina Imhoff of Mediapolis. A total of 45 area agriculture business and sales personnel from the surrounding area served as judges.

### Top 10 Teams

- 1 Osage FFA, Osage
- 2 Hudson FFA Chapter, Hudson
- 3 Easton Valley FFA at Preston
- 4 Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- 5 Grinnell FFA
- 6 Earlham FFA, Earlham
- 7 Mid-Prairie FFA, Wellman
- 8 Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 9 Columbus FFA, Columbus Junction
- 10 Starmont FFA, Arlington

### Top 10 Individuals

- 1 Melanie Bruesewitz, Osage FFA, Osage
- 2 Ella Burken, Easton Valley FFA at Preston
- 3 Ellen Cook, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 4 Blake Reynolds, Earlham FFA, Earlham
- 5 Ethan Peterson, Osage FFA, Osage
- 6 Trey Wulf, Hudson FFA Chapter, Hudson
- 7 Kate Strayer, Hudson FFA Chapter, Hudson
- 8 Kensley Paul, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- 9 Bryson Stockman, Montezuma FFA, Montezuma
- 10 Madeleine Howell, Columbus FFA, Columbus Junction

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

#### Sales Presentations

Team: Earlham FFA, Earlham Individual: Camryn Brennan, Montezuma

#### General Knowledge Examination

Team: Montezuma FFA, Montezuma Individual: Makenna Johannes, Montezuma

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

### **Gold Teams (11)**

Score Range (813 to 729.7)

Osage FFA, Osage  
Hudson FFA Chapter, Hudson  
Easton Valley FFA at Preston  
Muscatine FFA, Muscatine  
Grinnell FFA  
Earlham FFA, Earlham  
Mid-Prairie FFA, Wellman  
Montezuma FFA, Montezuma  
Columbus FFA, Columbus Junction  
Starmont FFA, Arlington  
Ames FFA

### **Silver Teams (36)**

Score Range (695.300000000000006 to

Chariton FFA, Chariton  
Louisa-Muscatine FFA  
Clear Creek Amana  
Dallas Center-Grimes FFA, Grimes  
Riverside FFA, Oakland  
Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon  
Forest City FFA, Forest City  
Maquoketa Valley FFA  
Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton  
Keota FFA  
North Linn FFA, Troy Mills  
South Hamilton FFA, Jewell  
Davis County FFA, Bloomfield  
Cedar Rapids Prairie  
Charles City FFA, Charles City  
Harlan FFA, Harlan  
Benton Community FFA, Van Horne  
Bellevue FFA, Bellevue  
Monticello FFA  
Dike-New Hartford FFA  
BCLUW FFA, Conrad  
Clarion-Goldfield-Dows FFA, Clarion  
La Porte-Dysart FFA, La Porte City  
Wilton FFA, Wilton  
Tri-County FFA, Thornburg  
Marshalltown FFA  
Boyden-Hull FFA, Hull  
Cascade FFA  
Humboldt FFA, Humboldt  
West Central Valley FFA  
HLV, Victor  
West Delaware FFA, Manchester  
Central Lee FFA, Donnellson  
Alta-Aurelia FFA  
North Scott FFA at Eldridge  
Marengo FFA, Marengo

### **Bronze Teams (24)**

Score Range (526.700000000000004 to

Osceola Big Chief FFA, Osceola  
Pekin FFA, Packwood  
Carroll Area FFA, Carroll  
North Cedar FFA, Clarence  
Williamsburg FFA, Williamsburg  
MMCRU FFA  
Ridge View FFA, Holstein

George-Little Rock FFA  
North Scott Jr. High FFA at Eldridge  
Waterloo FFA  
Postville FFA  
Agri-Power FFA, Eddyville  
OABCIG  
Washington FFA, Washington

IKM-Manning FFA, Manning  
North Mahaska FFA, New Sharon  
Sioux Central FFA at Sioux Rapids  
Lenox FFA  
Mediapolis FFA, Mediapolis  
Bison FFA, Buffalo Center  
Nodaway Valley FFA, Greenfield  
Estherville FFA, Estherville  
Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn FFA  
Coon Rapids-Bayard FFA

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### About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 20,300 student members as part of 270 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](http://IowaFFA.com) and on social media.