



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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2010 Iowa FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event

The Keota FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Livestock Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on August 28, 2010. Members of the first place team included: Patrick Frank, Kyle Huber, and Matthew Romoser. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Dan Striegel. They will represent Iowa at the National Livestock Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Carroll Area FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Nick Fitzsimmons, Jamie Pudenz, Nicholas Irlbeck, and Samuel Gehling. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Kolby Burch. Matthew Romoser, Keota 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, and sheep; grading classes of beef, swine, and sheep; and oral reasons classes. There were 177 members participating from 50 chapters.

The Livestock Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by John DeClerk and other faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University.

Bayer Animal Health Division, Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, and Merial, through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque. United Suppliers, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the plaque for the Reserve Champion Team, Champion Individual plaque, and the Reserve Champion Individual plaque. The Iowa State Fair, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored a Cash Award for Travel to the National FFA Career Development Event for the Champion Team and a Cash Award for National Western Contest Registration for the Reserve Champion Team. The Iowa State Fair also sponsored a Champion Team trophy and ribbons for the 10 high scoring individuals and 10 high scoring teams.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Keota FFA Chapter
- 2 Carroll Area FFA Chapter
- 3 West Liberty FFA Chapter
- 4 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 5 Washington FFA Chapter
- 6 East Sac FFA Chapter
- 7 Mediapolis FFA Chapter
- 8 Hampton Tall Corn FFA Chapter
- 9 Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter
- 10 CAM FFA Chapter at Anita

Top 10 Individuals

- Matthew Romoser, Keota FFA Chapter
Patrick Frank, Keota FFA Chapter
Nick Fitzsimmons, Carroll Area FFA Chapter
Samuel Stecker, West Liberty FFA Chapter
Lexi Marek, Washington FFA Chapter
Chad Vander Linden, Muscatine FFA Chapter
Erin Steele, CAM FFA Chapter at Anita
Alecia Knapp, Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter
John Wischmeier, Mediapolis FFA Chapter
Brett Timmins, Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Beef Placing and Grading

Team: Hampton Tall Corn FFA Chapter **Individual:** Matthew Romoser, Keota FFA Chapter

Swine Placing and Grading

Team: Carroll Area FFA Chapter **Individual:** Matthew Romoser, Keota FFA Chapter

Sheep Placing and Grading

Team: Keota FFA Chapter **Individual:** Nick Fitzsimmons, Carroll Area FFA Chapter

Oral Reasons

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (17)

Score Range (1667 to 1512)

Keota FFA Chapter
Carroll Area FFA Chapter
West Liberty FFA Chapter
Muscatine FFA Chapter
Washington FFA Chapter
East Sac FFA Chapter
Mediapolis FFA Chapter
Hampton Tall Corn FFA Chapter
Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter
CAM FFA Chapter at Anita
Orient-Macksburg FFA Chapter
Osage FFA Chapter
Tri-Star FFA Chapter
Harlan FFA Chapter
Maquoketa FFA Chapter
Guthrie Center Tiger FFA Chapter
Earlham FFA Chapter

Bronze Teams (14)

Score Range (1388 to 515)

Sioux Center FFA Chapter
Indianola FFA Chapter
AGWSR FFA Chapter at Ackley
Emmetsburg FFA Chapter
Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank
Cascade FFA Chapter
Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda
North Mahaska FFA Chapter at New Sharon
Creston FFA Chapter
Tripoli FFA Chapter
Wapello FFA Chapter

Silver Teams (19)

Score Range (1496 to 1405)

Albia FFA Chapter
St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville
Adair-Casey FFA Chapter
Manson Northwest Webster FFA Chapter
Baxter FFA Chapter
Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill
Roland-Story FFA Chapter at Story City
Moulton-Udell FFA Chapter
Lamoni FFA Chapter
Starmont FFA Chapter at Arlington
CAL-Dows FFA Chapter at Latimer
Rock Valley FFA Chapter
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter
Tri-County Community FFA Chapter at Thornburg
Nashua-Plainfield FFA Chapter
Valley FFA Chapter at Elgin
Pekin FFA Chapter at Packwood
West Delaware FFA Chapter at Manchester

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon
Benton Community FFA Chapter at Van Horne
Tipton FFA Chapter

The Iowa FFA Association has 230 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 490,000 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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