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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Muscatine FFA Chapter Wins 2011 State FFA Horse Career Development Event

The Muscatine 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 14, 2011. Members of the first place team included: Ashley Hansen, Heather Burroughs, Erin Lagone, and Rebecca Ness. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Dave Fowler and Mr. Dave Tometich. They will represent Iowa at the National Horse Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Maquoketa FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Jannell Huebbe, Amber Nigh, and Morgan Crossland. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Gary Bruns and Ms. Jennifer Nabb. Caley Jacobsen, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 40 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 125 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 Horse Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Megan Green, Nellie Wilson and other faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Kirkwood Community College. Special thank you to Long Creek Outfitters, Leon, Iowa for providing the tack for the Tack ID event.

Kent Feeds, Inc., RAM Truck, Tractor Supply Company, and Wahl Clipper Corporation through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque. All plaques and rosettes (team and individual), travel money for the Champion Team and event materials were sponsored by Hawkeye Tack & Western Wear and Kirkwood Community College through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Cargill Animal Nutrition, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored a \$500 college scholarship for the Champion Individual and a cash award for the Champion Team to travel to the National FFA Horse Career Development Event in Indianapolis, Indiana. Hawkeye Tack and Western Wear donated coupons to all teams through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

Top 10 Teams

1 Muscatine FFA Chapter

2 Maguoketa FFA Chapter

3 Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

4 Knoxville FFA Chapter

5 Sumner Fredericksburg FFA Chapter

6 Cascade FFA Chapter

7 Baxter FFA Chapter

8 Collins-Maxwell FFA Chapter at Maxwell

9 Central Lee FFA Chapter at Donnellson

10 South Hamilton FFA Chapter at Jewell

Top 10 Individuals

Caley Jacobsen. Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Heather Burroughs, Muscatine FFA Chapter

Makayla Johnston, Baxter FFA Chapter

Sarah Stewart, Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

Marah Smith, Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Rebecca Ness, Muscatine FFA Chapter

Josie McQuillen, Cascade FFA Chapter

Erin Lagone, Muscatine FFA Chapter

Amy Turner, Knoxville FFA Chapter

Meghan Mills, Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Halter Classes

Team: Maquoketa FFA Chapter Individual: Mikey Vinole, Davis County FFA Chapter at Bloomfield

Performance Classes

Team: Manson Northwest Webster FFA Chapter Individual: Marah Smith, Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Oral Reasons and Questions

Team: Muscatine FFA Chapter Individual: Sarah Stewart, Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

Problem Solving

Team: Knoxville FFA Chapter

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (13)

Score Range (1458 to 1257)

Muscatine FFA Chapter

Maquoketa FFA Chapter

Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Knoxville FFA Chapter

Sumner Fredericksburg FFA Chapter

Cascade FFA Chapter

Baxter FFA Chapter

Collins-Maxwell FFA Chapter at Maxwell

Central Lee FFA Chapter at Donnellson

South Hamilton FFA Chapter at Jewell

Denison FFA Chapter

Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Bronze Teams (17)

Score Range (1146 to 519)

Forest City FFA Chapter

Davis County FFA Chapter at Bloomfield

Charles City FFA Chapter

Edgewood-Colesburg FFA Chapter

Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming

Nashua-Plainfield FFA Chapter

Algona FFA Chapter

Valley FFA Chapter at Elgin

South Tama FFA Chapter at Tama

New Hampton FFA Chapter

Griswold FFA Chapter

Newton FFA Chapter

Roland-Story FFA Chapter at Story City

Wapello FFA Chapter

Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

Silver Teams (10)

Score Range (1245 to 1173)

Manson Northwest Webster FFA Chapter

Dallas Center-Grimes FFA Chapter at Grimes

Prairie Valley FFA Chapter at Gowrie

Twin Cedars FFA Chapter at Bussey

South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina

Waverly-Shell Rock FFA Chapter

Tipton FFA Chapter

OA-BCIG FFA Chapter

Williamsburg Hawkeye FFA Chapter

AGWSR FFA Chapter at Ackley

The Iowa FFA Association has 221 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 500,000 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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