



## **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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**NEWS RELEASE**  
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### **Little Switzerland FFA Wins 2012 Iowa FFA Milk Quality and Products Career Development Event**

The 2012 Iowa FFA Milk Quality & Products Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the Blue Ribbon Dairy Classic in West Union on Saturday, September 15, 2012. Sixteen teams and fifty-four individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide students an opportunity to display their knowledge and skills in the area of milk quality and dairy foods.

The Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon was named the Iowa Champion FFA Milk Quality & Products Team. Team members included: Shelby Bodley, Shaylie Stortz, Riley Bodley, and Krystal Johnson. Ms. Jessica O'Connor is the Agriculture Education instructor and FFA advisor. The champion team will compete in the National FFA Milk Quality & Products Career Development Event during the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, this October. The champion team received a plaque sponsored by the National FFA Foundation.

The Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Foods Judging was the North Fayette FFA, West Union. Team members included: Regan Wolverton, Evan Ihde, and Mitchell Ihde. Mr. Ryan Holthaus is the Agriculture Education instructor and FFA advisor. Riley Bodley from Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon was the Champion Individual. Abby Ollendieck from LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City was the Reserve Champion Individual.

The Iowa FFA Milk Quality & Products Career Development Event was made possible through the Iowa FFA Foundation with sponsorship by the Midwest Dairy Association in Ankeny. Additional support through the Iowa FFA Foundation was provided by the Iowa State Dairy Association and the Western Iowa Dairy Alliance. Sponsorship received covered individual rosettes and plaques for winning individuals, rosettes for winning teams as well as a plaque for the reserve champion team. Sponsorship will also support the Iowa FFA Milk Quality & Products Career Development Event champion team with a travel stipend for their travel to National FFA Convention.

The Iowa State University Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition prepared the milk defects component. The event was hosted by the North Fayette FFA. Milking equipment was provided by Fitzgerald Inc. Westphalia-Surge of Elkader.

### **Top 10 Teams**

- 1 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 2 North Fayette FFA, West Union
- 3 LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City
- 4 Wapello FFA, Wapello
- 5 Cascade FFA, Cascade
- 6 East Sac FFA, Lake View
- 7 West Delaware FFA, Manchester
- 8 Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
- 9 Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
- 10 Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

### **Top 10 Individuals**

- Riley Bodley, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- Abby Ollendieck, LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City
- Shelby Bodley, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- Ashlyn Frank, Wapello FFA, Wapello
- Josh Heims, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
- Madison Kirchmann, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
- Evan Ihde, North Fayette FFA, West Union
- Elle Gadiant, Cascade FFA, Cascade
- Morgan Irons, Wapello FFA, Wapello
- Regan Wolverton, North Fayette FFA, West Union

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

### **Written Test**

**Team:** Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA **Individual:** Josh Heims, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

### **Analysis and Interpretation**

**Team:** Cascade FFA, Cascade **Individual:** Regan Wolverton, North Fayette FFA, West Union

### **Milk Fat Identification**

**Team:** Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood **Individual:** Riley Bodley, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

### **Cheese Identification**

**Team:** Cascade FFA, Cascade **Individual:** Riley Bodley, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

### **Milk Samples**

**Team:** Wapello FFA, Wapello **Individual:** Shelby Bodley, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

### **Mastitis Test**

**Team:** West Delaware FFA, Manchester **Individual:** Heather Tauke, West Delaware FFA, Manchester

### **Milking Equipment**

**Team:** North Fayette FFA, West Union **Individual:** Evan Ihde, North Fayette FFA, West Union

### **Team Activity**

**Team:** North Fayette FFA, West Union

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

#### **Gold Teams (10)**

##### Score Range (454 to 377)

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon  
North Fayette FFA, West Union  
LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City  
Wapello FFA, Wapello  
Cascade FFA, Cascade  
East Sac FFA, Lake View  
West Delaware FFA, Manchester  
Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA  
Oelwein FFA, Oelwein  
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

#### **Bronze Teams (2)**

##### Score Range (279 to 110)

Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank  
Nashua-Plainfield FFA, Nashua

#### **Silver Teams (4)**

##### Score Range (362 to 322)

South Tama FFA, Tama  
Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton  
Des Moines FFA, Des Moines  
Southeast Polk FFA, Pleasant Hill

The Iowa FFA Association has 219 local chapters with nearly 13,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 540,000 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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