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## News Release

# Wapello FFA Chapter Wins 2016 State FFA Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event

AMES, IA--The Wapello FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on April 19, 2016. Members of the first place team included: Kenna Lanz, Ellise Wykert, Tate Boysen, and Hannah Kemper. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Cole Rushing. They will represent Iowa at the National Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Jackson Willey, Sean Banger, Lydia Martins, and Britney Hershey. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Ellen Doese. Tate Boysen, Wapello FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

The FFA Poultry Evaluation Evaluation Career Development Event provides an opportunity for FFA members to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Poultry Evaluation. Activities included: placing classes of live poultry; placing and grading classes of ready to cook poultry; grading classes of egg interiors and exteriors; identifying and grading further process poultry products, and a poultry production examination. There were 248 members participating from 67 chapters.

The Poultry Evaluation and Technology Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Cameron Hall and the Poultry Science Staff of the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University.

The Iowa FFA Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event was made possible through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Newly Weds Foods, U.S. Poultry and Egg Association, and Tyson Foods, Inc. through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque.

## Top 10 Teams

- 1 Wapello FFA Chapter
- 2 Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank
- 3 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 4 South O'Brien FFA Chapter
- 5 North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter at West
- 6 Mediapolis FFA Chapter
- 7 St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
- 8 Calamus-Wheatland FFA Chapter at Wheatland
- 9 Sumner Fredericksburg FFA Chapter
- 10 Cascade FFA Chapter

## Top 10 Individuals

- Tate Boysen, Wapello FFA Chapter  
Matthew Appler, North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter at West  
Anna Sells, South O'Brien FFA Chapter  
Jackson Willey, Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank  
Lydia Martins, Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank  
Kenna Lanz, Wapello FFA Chapter  
Ellise Wykert, Wapello FFA Chapter  
Britney Hershey, Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank  
John Trumm, Cascade FFA Chapter  
Heath Borders, Mediapolis FFA Chapter

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

### **Live Poultry Classes**

**Team:** Wapello FFA Chapter

**Individual:** Matthew Appler, North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter at West Union

### **Ready to Cook Poultry Classes**

**Team:** North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter at West Union

**Individual:** Matthew Appler, North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter

### **Egg Grading Classes**

**Team:** South O'Brien FFA Chapter

**Individual:** Emily Carhoff, Mediapolis FFA Chapter

### **Further Processed Classes**

**Team:** Muscatine FFA Chapter

**Individual:** John Trumm, Cascade FFA Chapter

### **Poultry Production Examination**

**Team:** Wapello FFA Chapter

**Individual:** Lydia Martins, Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

#### **Gold Teams (15)**

##### **Score Range (1581 to 1312)**

Wapello FFA Chapter

Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank

Muscatine FFA Chapter

South O'Brien FFA Chapter

North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter at West Union

Mediapolis FFA Chapter

St. Ansgar FFA Chapter

Calamus-Wheatland FFA Chapter at Wheatland

Sumner Fredericksburg FFA Chapter

Cascade FFA Chapter

Newton FFA Chapter

Louisa-Muscatine FFA Chapter at Letts

Emmetsburg FFA Chapter

Crestwood FFA Chapter at Cresco

Clay Central-Everly FFA Chapter at Everly

#### **Bronze Teams (19)**

##### **Score Range (1141 to 110)**

Easton Valley FFA Chapter at Preston

Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon

Marengo FFA Chapter

Winterset FFA Chapter

Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn FFA Chapter

Forest City FFA Chapter

Grundy Center FFA Chapter

Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

#### **Silver Teams (33)**

##### **Score Range (1309 to 1156)**

Roland-Story FFA Chapter at Story City

Midland FFA Chapter at Wyoming

Des Moines FFA Chapter

Lansing FFA Chapter

Unity Christian FFA Chapter at Orange City

Tri-County Community FFA Chapter at Thornburg

New Hampton FFA Chapter

Bellevue FFA Chapter

Washington FFA Chapter

Vinton-Shellsburg FFA Chapter

Interstate 35 FFA Chapter at Truro

Nashua Plainfield FFA Chapter

Jesup FFA Chapter

Guthrie Center Tiger FFA Chapter

Maquoketa FFA Chapter

Rockford FFA Chapter

Carroll Area FFA Chapter

North Polk FFA Chapter at Alleman

Decorah FFA Chapter

West Fork FFA Chapter

Oelwein FFA Chapter

Gilbert FFA Chapter

Twin Cedars FFA Chapter at Bussey

Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter at Delhi

North Mahaska FFA Chapter at New Sharon

Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe

Tri-Star FFA Chapter

Rock Valley FFA Chapter  
Baxter FFA Chapter  
Collins-Maxwell FFA Chapter at Maxwell  
South Central Calhoun FFA Chapter at Lake City  
Oskaloosa FFA Chapter  
Pella FFA Chapter  
Griswold FFA Chapter  
Davis-Rodgers FFA Chapter at Shenandoah  
Mid-Prairie FFA Chapter at Wellman  
Linn-Mar FFA Chapter at Marion  
South Winneshiek FFA Chapter at Calmar

Albia FFA Chapter  
Iowa Falls-Alden FFA Chapter  
Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake  
Alburnett FFA Chapter  
Westwood FFA Chapter at Sloan  
Williamsburg FFA Chapter

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### About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 14,800 student members as part of 226 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), on Facebook, and Twitter.