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News Release

WEST LYON FFA WINS IOWA FFA AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS & TECHNOLOGY CDE

The West Lyon FFA Chapter from Inwood was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Agricultural Mechanics Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on June 20, 2019. Members of the first place team included: Gabe Knobloch, Blake Meyer, Lucas Moser, and Tyren Ulmer. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Ms. Shauna Kill and Mr. Craig Winquist. They will represent Iowa at the National Agricultural Mechanics & Technology Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Muscatine FFA Chapter from Muscatine was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Nicholas Petersen, Hunter Meyer, Crew Schliesman, and Jake Draves. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Sam Paul, Mr. Dave Tometich, Ms. Ashley Wiebe, and Mr. Josh Day. Lucas Moser, West Lyon FFA, Inwood, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams including 87 individuals from 25 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 Agricultural Mechanics & Technology. Activities included demonstration of skills, problem solving, and knowledge application in agricultural machinery equipment, metals and welding, structures, environmental and natural resources, and electrical systems.

The Iowa FFA Agricultural Mechanics & Technology Career Development Event was made possible with support from Titan Machinery and Farm Credit Services of America through the Iowa FFA Foundation. The Agricultural Mechanics & Technology Career Development Event was hosted by the Iowa State University Ag 450 Farm and was coordinated and conducted by Mr. Trent Wells, Dr. Mark Hainline, and the Agricultural Education & Studies Department at Iowa State University in Ames. Associated Generated Contractors of Iowa provided lunch to all participants.

Listed below are the top teams and individuals in the various parts of the career development event.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- 2 Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- 3 St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar
- 4 North Scott FFA at Eldridge
- 5 Gilbert FFA Chapter, Gilbert
- 6 Boone A&M FFA, Boone
- 7 Belle Plaine FFA
- 8 Charles City FFA, Charles City
- 9 South O'Brien FFA @ Paullina
- 10 Interstate 35 FFA

Top 10 Individuals

- 1 Lucas Moser, West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- 2 Gabe Knobloch, West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- 3 Carson Folkmann, Gilbert FFA Chapter, Gilbert
- 4 Rhys Roelandt, North Scott FFA at Eldridge
- 5 Tyren Ulmer, West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- 6 Hunter Meyer, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- 7 Dakotah Patterson, St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar
- 8 Luke Kroeger, North Scott FFA at Eldridge
- 9 Gage Morain, Boone A&M FFA, Boone
- 10 Morgan Merten, St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Structural Systems

Team: West Lyon FFA, Inwood **Individual:** Tyren Ulmer, West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Machinery & Equipment Systems

Team: North Scott FFA at Eldridge **Individual:** Gabe Knobloch, West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Environmental & Natural Resource Systems

Team: Muscatine FFA, Muscatine **Individual:** Jake Draves, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Electrical Systems

Team: Muscatine FFA, Muscatine **Individual:** Jake Draves, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Metals and Welding Systems

Team: Muscatine FFA, Muscatine **Individual:** Crew Schliesman, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

General Knowledge Examination

Team: Muscatine FFA, Muscatine **Individual:** Jake Draves, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (10)

Score Range (516 to 422)

West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar

North Scott FFA at Eldridge

Gilbert FFA Chapter, Gilbert

Boone A&M FFA, Boone

Belle Plaine FFA

Charles City FFA, Charles City

South O'Brien FFA @ Paullina

Interstate 35 FFA

Silver Teams (7)

Score Range (402.5 to 342.5)

Wapello FFA, Wapello

West Marshall FFA, State Center

Panorama FFA, Panora

Roland-Story FFA, Story City

Unity Christian FFA

East Sac FFA, Lake View

West Fork FFA

Bronze Teams (8)

Score Range (326 to 115.5)

Diamond Trail FFA, Monroe

Belmond-Klemme FFA, Belmond

Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn FFA, Hartley

Brokaw FFA, Clarinda

Tall Corn FFA Chapter

Holland FFA, Orange City

Monticello FFA, Monticello

Martensdale-St. Marys FFA

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 15,600 student members as part of 242 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, on Facebook, and Twitter.