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News Release

BELLEVUE FFA CHAPTER WINS 2019 STATE FFA LIVESTOCK CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

The Bellevue FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Livestock Career Development Event held at Iowa State University on August 24, 2019. Members of the first place team included: Brooklynn Moore, Jebadiah Schwager, Nick Deppe, and Miranda Peters. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Steve Schroeder. They will represent Iowa at the National Livestock Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The DeWitt Central FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Carson Deppe, Cole Tobey, Megan Clark, and Kailey Clark. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mrs. Amy Grantz and Ms. Jenna Stevens. Judd Swanton, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake, 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, sheep and goats; keep/cull and oral reasons classes; and a general knowledge test. There were 123 members participating from 36 chapters.

The Iowa FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was made possible with support from the Iowa State University Block and Bridle Club through the Iowa FFA Foundation. The Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Chris Cassady and other faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University.

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

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Bellevue FFA Chapter
- 2 DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 3 Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 4 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 5 Calamus-Wheatland FFA Chapter at Wheatland
- 6 Osceola Big Chief FFA Chapter
- 7 IKM-Manning FFA Chapter at Manning
- 8 Highland FFA Chapter at Riverside
- 9 West Marshall FFA Chapter at State Center
- 10 Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Top 10 Individuals

- 1 Judd Swanton, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 2 Brooklynn Moore, Bellevue FFA Chapter
- 3 Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 4 Walker McDermott, CAM FFA Chapter at Anita
- 5 Cole Tobey, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 6 Jebadiah Schwager, Bellevue FFA Chapter
- 7 Miranda Peters, Bellevue FFA Chapter
- 8 Colton Holdgrafer, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 9 Emily Harold, West Branch FFA Chapter
- 10 Nick Deppe, Bellevue FFA Chapter

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Beef Placing

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Walker McDermott, CAM FFA Chapter at Anita

Swine Placing

Team: Bellevue FFA Chapter

Individual: Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Sheep Placing

Team: Bellevue FFA Chapter

Individual: Judd Swanton, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Goat Placing

Team: Bellevue FFA Chapter

Individual: Judd Swanton, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Oral Reasons

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Knowledge Exam

Team: Bellevue FFA Chapter

Individual: Jebadiah Schwager, Bellevue FFA Chapter

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (11)

Score Range (1818 to 1660)

Bellevue FFA Chapter

DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Muscatine FFA Chapter

Calamus-Wheatland FFA Chapter at Wheatland

Osceola Big Chief FFA Chapter

IKM-Manning FFA Chapter at Manning

Highland FFA Chapter at Riverside

West Marshall FFA Chapter at State Center

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Holland FFA Chapter at Orange City

Silver Teams (11)

Score Range (1647 to 1599)

East Union FFA Chapter at Afton

CAM FFA Chapter at Anita

North Scott FFA Chapter at Eldridge

Charles City FFA Chapter

Audubon FFA Chapter

West Branch FFA Chapter

Montezuma FFA Chapter

Grinnell FFA Chapter

Rock Valley FFA Chapter

BCLUW FFA Chapter at Conrad

Brokaw FFA Chapter at Clarinda

Bronze Teams (13)

Score Range (1582 to 533)

North Polk FFA Chapter at Alleman

Davis County FFA Chapter at Bloomfield

MMCRU FFA Chapter at Marcus

South Central Calhoun FFA Chapter at Lake City

Albia FFA Chapter

Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

Starmont FFA Chapter at Arlington

Panorama FFA Chapter

Clear Creek Amana FFA Chapter at Tiffin

Humboldt FFA Chapter

Spencer FFA Chapter

LeMars FFA Chapter

Roland-Story FFA Chapter at Story City

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 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.