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## **News Release**

# **NEW HAMPTON FFA CHAPTER WINS 2020 STATE FFA HORSE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT**

The New Hampton FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event held at Prairie Rose Arena on August 3, 2020. Members of the first place team included: Sarah Eiler, Kyle Havlik, and Quinten Reicks. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Jim Russ and Mr. Steve Pfaffle. The Atlantic FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Craig Becker, Carli Henderson, Taylor McCreedy, and Aspen Niklasen. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Eric Miller. Kendra Husman, Cherokee FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 9 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 28 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 Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event was made possible with support from Farm Credit Services of America through the Iowa FFA Foundation. The Horse Career Development Event was coordinated and held at the Prairie Rose Arena in Elkhart, Iowa. The official judge was Sierra Hagedon of Marshalltown, Iowa. She was assisted in reasons taking by Shianne Votora, Camryn Norton and Sierra McCullough. Horses were provided by Kyle DeFreece Show Horses, Hockenson Quarter Horses and Terra Gait Stables.

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

### **Top 10 Teams**

- 1 New Hampton FFA Chapter
- 2 Atlantic FFA Chapter
- 3 Cherokee FFA Chapter
- 4 Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon
- 5 Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville
- 6 Wilton FFA Chapter
- 7 North Scott FFA Chapter at Eldridge
- 8 Wapello FFA Chapter
- 9 Hillcrest Academy FFA Chapter at Kalona
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### **Top 10 Individuals**

- 1 Kendra Husman, Cherokee FFA Chapter
- 2 Sarah Eiler, New Hampton FFA Chapter
- 3 Claire Hoeg, Wapello FFA Chapter
- 4 Taylor McCreedy, Atlantic FFA Chapter
- 5 Quinten Reicks, New Hampton FFA Chapter
- 6 Dally Orman, Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville
- 7 Craig Becker, Atlantic FFA Chapter
- 8 Chloe Hamaker, Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon
- 9 Adrianna Benda, Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon
- 10 Kennedy Roth, Hillcrest Academy FFA Chapter at Kalona

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

**Halter Classes**

Team: Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Individual: Sarah Eiler, New Hampton FFA Chapter

**Performance Classes**

Team: Cherokee FFA Chapter

Individual: Claire Hoeg, Wapello FFA Chapter

**Oral Reasons and Questions**

Team: Atlantic FFA Chapter

Individual: Taylor McCreedy, Atlantic FFA Chapter

**Problem Solving**

Team: New Hampton FFA Chapter

**Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.**

**Gold Teams (5)**

Score Range (1398 to 1323)

New Hampton FFA Chapter

Atlantic FFA Chapter

Cherokee FFA Chapter

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

**Silver Teams (2)**

Score Range (1230 to 1230)

Wilton FFA Chapter

North Scott FFA Chapter at Eldridge

**Bronze Teams (2)**

Score Range (895 to 530)

Wapello FFA Chapter

Hillcrest Academy FFA Chapter at Kalona

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**About Iowa FFA Association**

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of more than 16,100 student members as part of 246 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.