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News Release

DEWITT CENTRAL FFA CHAPTER WINS 2020 STATE FFA LIVESTOCK CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

The DeWitt Central FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Livestock Career Development Event held at Iowa State University on August 29, 2020. Members of the first place team included: Carson Deppe, Cole Tobey, Kailey Clark, and Emma Sailor. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mrs. Amy Grantz and Ms. Jenna Stevens. They will represent Iowa at the National Livestock competitions later this year. The Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Colton Holdgrafer, Judd Swanton, and Sierra Wegener. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Joel Frost. Cole Tobey, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter, 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 103 members participating from 29 chapters.

The Iowa FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event was made possible with support from the Iowa State University Block and Bridle Club and Farm Credit Services of America 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 DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 2 Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 3 Audubon FFA Chapter
- 4 Charles City FFA Chapter
- 5 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 6 Nevada FFA Chapter
- 7 Highland FFA Chapter at Riverside
- 8 South Central Calhoun FFA Chapter at Lake
- 9 Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon
- 10 Spencer FFA Chapter

Top 10 Individuals

- 1 Cole Tobey, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 2 Judd Swanton, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 3 Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 4 Sierra Wegener, Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake
- 5 Emma Sailor, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 6 Zachary Schoelerman, Spencer FFA Chapter
- 7 Carson Mather, Nevada FFA Chapter
- 8 Kailey Clark, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter
- 9 Drew Staudt, Charles City FFA Chapter
- 10 Grant Boyd, Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Beef Placing

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Cole Tobey, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Swine Placing

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Sheep Placing

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Goat Placing

Team: Wapello FFA Chapter

Individual: Grant Boyd, Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Oral Reasons

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Carson Deppe, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Knowledge Exam

Team: DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Individual: Emma Sailor, DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (9)

Score Range (1813 to 1550)

DeWitt Central FFA Chapter

Northeast FFA Chapter at Goose Lake

Audubon FFA Chapter

Charles City FFA Chapter

Muscatine FFA Chapter

Nevada FFA Chapter

Highland FFA Chapter at Riverside

South Central Calhoun FFA Chapter at Lake City

Central Trail FFA Chapter at Leon

Silver Teams (9)

Score Range (1523 to 1443)

Spencer FFA Chapter

Independence FFA Chapter

MMCRU FFA Chapter at Marcus

Agri-Power FFA Chapter at Eddyville

Sioux Center FFA Chapter

Mount Ayr FFA Chapter

West Marshall FFA Chapter at State Center

Turkey Valley FFA Chapter at Jackson Junction

Algona FFA Chapter

Bronze Teams (11)

Score Range (1427 to 504)

Beckman Catholic FFA Chapter at Dyersville

Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

Wapello FFA Chapter

Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank

Wilton FFA Chapter

Albia FFA Chapter

New Hampton FFA Chapter

Humboldt FFA Chapter

Panorama FFA Chapter

Roland-Story FFA Chapter at Story City

East Sac FFA Chapter

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, on Facebook, and Twitter.