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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 16, 2022. Members of the first place team included: Nathan Knapp, Kendon Knoblock, and Jesse Wulf. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Ms. Katherine Newhouse and Mrs. Shauna Steiner. They will represent Iowa at the National Agricultural Mechanics & Technology Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The Monticello FFA Chapter from Monticello was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Owen Thomas, Cooper Wickman, and Landon Orcutt. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Eric Schmitt. Justin Agnitsch, Midland FFA, Wyoming, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams including 112 individuals from 32 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 the Iowa FFA Foundation Gold Standard Donors. The Agricultural Mechanics & Technology Career Development Event was hosted by the Iowa State University Ag 450 Farm and was coordinated and conducted by Mr. Jon Davis and the Agricultural Education & Studies Department at Iowa State University in Ames.

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 Monticello FFA
- 3 St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar
- 4 Dike-New Hartford FFA
- 5 Midland FFA, Wyoming
- 6 Central Lee FFA, Donnellson
- 7 Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton
- 8 Benton Community FFA, Van Horne
- 9 Central Community FFA, Elkader
- 10 West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Top 10 Individuals

- Justin Agnitsch, Midland FFA, Wyoming
- Andrew Brummer, Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton
- Brady Van Gorp, Holland FFA, Orange City
- Jesse Wulf, West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- Owen Riemenschneider, East Union FFA, Afton
- Bret Fischer, Dike-New Hartford FFA
- Logan Bicknese, Midland FFA, Wyoming
- Cade Volesky, Benton Community FFA, Van Horne
- Kendon Knoblock, West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- Will Rogers, Dike-New Hartford FFA

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Structural Systems

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Individual: Brady Van Gorp, Holland FFA, Orange City

Machinery & Equipment Systems

Team: St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar

Individual: Dylan Patterson, St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar

Environmental & Natural Resource Systems

Team: Dike-New Hartford FFA

Individual: Bret Fischer, Dike-New Hartford FFA

Electrical Systems

Team: Monticello FFA

Individual: Owen Riemenschneider, East Union FFA, Afton

Metals and Welding Systems

Team: Monticello FFA

Individual: Gabe Schiebout, Unity Christian FFA

General Knowledge Examination

Team: West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Individual: Jesse Wulf, West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (11)

Score Range (464 to 402)

West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Monticello FFA

St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar

Dike-New Hartford FFA

Midland FFA, Wyoming

Central Lee FFA, Donnellson

Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton

Benton Community FFA, Van Horne

Central Community FFA, Elkader

West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Holland FFA, Orange City

Silver Teams (11)

Score Range (398 to 340)

Unity Christian FFA

Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

East Union FFA, Afton

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

West Liberty FFA

Newton FFA, Newton

Gilbert FFA

Clear Lake FFA

ACGC FFA

Mediapolis FFA, Mediapolis

Riverside FFA, Oakland

Bronze Teams (10)

Score Range (336 to 194)

Creston FFA, Creston

Beckman Catholic @ Dyersville

MVAO FFA

Iowa River FFA, Garner

Sioux Central FFA, Sioux Rapids

Carroll Area FFA, Carroll

Collins-Maxwell FFA, Maxwell

Alburnett FFA, Alburnett

Pella FFA, Pella

Panorama FFA, Panora

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 18,600 student members as part of 254 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.