



## **Iowa FFA Association**

### ***The FFA Mission***

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth, and career success** through agricultural education.*

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**NEWS RELEASE**  
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### **GUTHRIE CENTER FFA CHAPTER CLAIMS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN FOOD SCIENCE EVENT**

The Guthrie Center FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Food Science Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on Thursday, June 8, 2006. Members of the first place Guthrie Center FFA team included: Jodi Calvert, Ashley Boeck, Lindsay Calvert, and Becky Sheeder. Their Ag Education Instructor is Mr. Jim Calvert. The Wall Lake View Auburn FFA Chapter from Lake View was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Stephanie Hoppe, Mandy Riedell, Megan Adams, and Samantha Hoffman. Their Ag Education Instructor is Mr. Scott Johnson. Tiffany Desotel, from the West Delaware FFA Chapter at Manchester, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition. FFA teams including forty-nine individuals from fourteen 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 Food Science. Activities included demonstration of skills and problem solving in dealing with consumer concerns, food safety and sanitation, aroma identification, taste testing, and product differences. A written examination was included along with a team product development competition.

Field to Food Run, through the Iowa FFA Foundation sponsored the Reserve Champion Team plaque, as well as the Top Ten Individual and Team Rosettes, the Champion and Reserve Champion Individual Plaques, and the Champion Team and Individual Specialty Area Plaques in the areas of Practicums, Product Development Team Activity, and Written Examination. The Champion Team also received a cash award towards travel to the National Food Science Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, by the generosity of the Field to Food Run, through the Iowa FFA Foundation. The top individual receives a \$500 scholarship from the Iowa State University Food Science Department if the student chooses to major in Food Science.

The Food Science Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Dr. Sam Beattie, and numerous other faculty and staff with the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at ISU in Ames.

**Top 10 Teams Overall:** (296 - 230 Score Range)

1. Guthrie Center
2. Lake View
3. Charles City
4. Reinbeck
5. Wapello
6. Manchester
7. Riceville
8. State Center
9. Rock Valley
10. Cascade

**Top 10 Individuals Overall:** (49 - 39 Score Range)

1. Tiffany Desotel, Manchester
2. Molly Back, Riceville
3. Josef Biechler, Story City
4. Ashley Youngman, Story City
5. Mary Holtoff, New Hampton
6. Katie Fevolv, Reinbeck
7. Stephanie Hoppe, Lake View
8. Michelle Thole, Manchester
9. Staci Sullivan, Manchester
10. Megan Mairet, Wapello

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

Practicums...

Team: Lake View

Individual: Tiffany Desotel, Manchester

Product Development Event...

Team: Guthrie Center

Written Examination...

Team: Wapello

Individual: Josef Biechler, Story City

**GOLD EMBLEM TEAMS:** (296 - 265 Score Range)

Guthrie Center

Lake View

Charles City

Reinbeck

Wapello

Manchester

Riceville

State Center

**SILVER EMBLEM TEAMS:** (247 - 230 Score Range)

Rock Valley

Cascade

**PARTICIPATION:** (These chapters do not have the required four member teams)

Alleman

Story City

New Hampton

Runnells

The Iowa FFA Association has 230 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 490,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. FFA's 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.

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