



## **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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### **Wapello FFA Wins Iowa FFA Food Science CDE**

The Wapello FFA Chapter from Wapello was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Food Science Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on June 7, 2007. Members of the first place team included: Megan Mairet, Paul Hinkle, Cary Dowell, and Kristin Hagberg. Their agriculture education instructor is Mr. Irvin Meier. They will represent Iowa at the National Food Science Career Development Event at Indianapolis, Indiana, in October. The East Sac FFA Chapter from Lake View was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Samantha Hoffman, Jessica Kramer, Kayla Riedell, and Mandy Riedell. Their agriculture education instructors are Mr. Scott Johnson and Ms. Shelli Lund. Megan Mairet, Wapello FFA, Wapello, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams from 12 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. The 42 individuals who participated in the event completed several activities including 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.

Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc., through the National FFA Foundation sponsored the plaque for the winning team. Field to Food Run/NAMA, 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/NAMA, 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**

- 1 Wapello FFA, Wapello
- 2 East Sac FFA, Lake View
- 3 New Hampton FFA, New Hampton
- 4 South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
- 5 Charles City FFA, Charles City
- 6 Cascade FFA, Cascade
- 7 Gladbrook-Reinbeck FFA, Reinbeck
- 8 Roland-Story FFA, Story City
- 9 Crestwood FFA, Cresco
- 10 West Delaware FFA, Manchester

### **Top 10 Individuals**

- Megan Mairet, Wapello FFA, Wapello  
Paul Hinkle, Wapello FFA, Wapello  
Cary Dowell, Wapello FFA, Wapello  
Adam Holm, Roland-Story FFA, Story City  
Kristin Hagberg, Wapello FFA, Wapello  
Jody Lohse, Gladbrook-Reinbeck FFA, Reinbeck  
Joseph Bertling, Cascade FFA, Cascade  
Justin Nauman, Charles City FFA, Charles City  
Tara Hamilton, Roland-Story FFA, Story City  
Wesley Overman, West Marshall FFA, State Center

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

#### **Team Product Development Activity**

**Team:** Wapello FFA, Wapello

#### **General Knowledge Examination**

**Team:** Wapello FFA, Wapello

**Individual:** Paul Hinkle, Wapello FFA, Wapello

#### **Practicums**

**Team:** East Sac FFA, Lake View

**Individual:** Joseph Bertling, Cascade FFA, Cascade

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

**Gold Teams (4)**

Score Range (351.8 to 274)

Wapello FFA, Wapello

East Sac FFA, Lake View

New Hampton FFA, New Hampton

South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

**Silver Teams (5)**

Score Range (257.2 to 202.8)

Charles City FFA, Charles City

Cascade FFA, Cascade

Gladbrook-Reinbeck FFA, Reinbeck

Roland-Story FFA, Story City

Crestwood FFA, Cresco

**Bronze Teams (3)**

Score Range (189.6 to 155.4)

West Delaware FFA, Manchester

West Marshall FFA, State Center

Guthrie Center Tiger FFA, Guthrie Center

The Iowa FFA Association has 230 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 495,000 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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