



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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2005 Iowa FFA Dairy Foods and Milk Quality Career Development Event

The 2005 Iowa FFA Dairy Foods Career Development Event was held at West Union High School in West Union on Saturday, September 17, 2005. Twenty-four teams and seventy-nine individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide students an opportunity to display their knowledge and skills in the chosen agricultural field.

The Starmont FFA Chapter located in Arlington was named the Iowa Champion FFA Dairy Foods Team. Team members included: Bridget Breitbach, Michelle Duart, Alex Peck, and Grant Turner. Dennis Miller is the Agriculture Education instructor and FFA advisor. The champion team will compete in the National FFA Dairy Foods Career Development Event during the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky this October.

The Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Foods Judging was the North Fayette FFA Chapter located in West Union. Team members include: Jennifer Halstead, Samantha Kanarr, Emily Schmitt, and Emily Thomes. Brian Harper is the Agriculture Education instructor and FFA advisor.

The champion team received a plaque sponsored by Dairy Farmers of America through the National FFA Foundation. The team will receive travel money to the national event sponsored by Midwest Dairy Association, in Ankeny, through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

Several organizations sponsored awards through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Well's Dairy Inc, LeMars, sponsored rosettes for the top ten teams, members of the top ten teams, and top ten individuals. Wapsie Valley Creamery, Inc., Independence, sponsored trophies for the high team and individuals in the following categories: Written Test, Analysis and Interpretation, Foods/Products/Imitations, Cheese Identification, and Milk Samples. Swiss Valley Farms Co., Davenport, sponsored a plaque for the reserve champion team and plaques for the top 2 individuals.

The career development activity was judged by Dr. Sam Beattie, Professor and Extension Food Scientist at Iowa State University in Ames. The event was hosted by the North Fayette FFA.

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

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Starmont FFA, Arlington
- 2 North Fayette FFA, West Union
- 3 Riceville FFA, Riceville
- 4 Wapello FFA, Wapello
- 5 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 6 Tri-Star FFA
- 7 Wall Lake View Auburn FFA, Lake View
- 8 West Delaware FFA, Manchester
- 9 Monticello FFA, Monticello
- 10 Cascade FFA, Cascade

Top 10 Individuals

- Bridget Breitbach, Starmont FFA, Arlington
Jennifer Halstead, North Fayette FFA, West Union
Jeffrey Walker, Wapello FFA, Wapello
Molly Back, Riceville FFA, Riceville
Jessie Juarez, Glenwood FFA, Glenwood
Alex Peck, Starmont FFA, Arlington
Ted Bechtum, Riceville FFA, Riceville
Emily Schmitt, North Fayette FFA, West Union
Jade Martin, Tri-Star FFA
Caitlin Mellick, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Written Test

Team: North Fayette FFA, West Union **Individual:** Jennifer Halstead, North Fayette FFA, West Union

Analysis and Interpretation

Team: North Fayette FFA, West Union **Individual:** Jeffrey Walker, Wapello FFA, Wapello

Real vs Imitation

Team: Wapello FFA, Wapello **Individual:** Jessie Juarez, Glenwood FFA, Glenwood

Cheese Identification

Team: Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon **Individual:** Molly Back, Riceville FFA, Riceville

Milk Samples

Team: Starmont FFA, Arlington **Individual:** Bridget Breitbach, Starmont FFA, Arlington

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (10)

Score Range (263 to 219)

Starmont FFA, Arlington
North Fayette FFA, West Union
Riceville FFA, Riceville
Wapello FFA, Wapello
Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Tri-Star FFA
Wall Lake View Auburn FFA, Lake View
West Delaware FFA, Manchester
Monticello FFA, Monticello
Cascade FFA, Cascade

Bronze Teams (3)

Score Range (168 to 163)

Northeast FFA, Goose Lake
Emmetsburg FFA, Emmetsburg
Alburnett FFA, Alburnett

Silver Teams (4)

Score Range (206 to 177)

Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
Gladbrook-Reinbeck FFA, Reinbeck
New Hampton FFA, New Hampton

Participation Teams (6)

Score Range (145 to 77)

Glenwood FFA, Glenwood
Decorah FFA, Decorah
LaPorte-Dysart FFA, LaPorte City
Rockwell-Sheffield FFA, Rockwell
Jesup FFA, Jesup
Linn-Mar FFA, Marion

The Iowa FFA Association has 232 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 473,000 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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