



## 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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### **Muscatine FFA Wins 2006 Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event**

The Muscatine FFA Chapter from Muscatine was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Horse Career Development Event held at The Iowa Equestrian Center at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids on Tuesday, June 13, 2006. Members of the first place team included: Rachel Potter, Emily Bunn, Zac Pace, and Samantha Wozney. Their Ag Education instructors are Dave Fowler and Dave Tometich. The Southeast Polk Chapter from Runnells was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Maggie Paris, Angela Balduchi, Kari Shadley, and Amber McConnell. Their Ag Education instructor is Matthew B. Eddy.

Emily Bunn, from the Muscatine FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition. 19 chapters and 61 individuals 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 Equine Science. Activities included demonstration of skills and problem solving in halter and performance classes as well as oral reasons and questions. A written examination was included along with a team problem solving competition.

The Horse Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Nellie Wilson and other faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Kirkwood Community College.

Dodge Trucks, Evergreen Mills, Inc., American Quarter Horse Youth Association, and Kent Feeds, Inc., through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque. Kirkwood Community College, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the plaque for the Reserve Champion Team, Champion Individual plaque, and the Reserve Champion Individual plaque.

The Iowa Horse Industry Council, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the Top Ten Team rosettes, Members of the Top Ten Team rosettes, Top Ten Individual rosettes, plaques for the high team and high individual in the following areas: Halter Classes, Performance Classes, Oral Reasons and Questions, and Problem Solving Team Activity (team award only).

Cargill Animal Nutrition, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored a \$500 college scholarship for the Champion Individual and a cash award for the Champion Team to travel to the National FFA Horse Career Development Event in Indianapolis, Indiana.

### **Top 10 Teams**

- 1 Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- 2 Southeast Polk FFA, Runnells
- 3 Denison FFA, Denison
- 4 Twin Cedars FFA, Bussey
- 5 Anamosa FFA, Anamosa
- 6 South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
- 7 Central Trail of Leon FFA, Leon
- 8 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 9 Cascade FFA, Cascade
- 10 Charles City FFA, Charles City

### **Top 10 Individuals**

- Emily Bunn, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- Samantha Wozney, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- Maggie Paris, Southeast Polk FFA, Runnells
- Chelsea Hunt, Twin Cedars FFA, Bussey
- Jackie Kragel, Denison FFA, Denison
- Reagan Ebel, South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
- Angela Balduchi, Southeast Polk FFA, Runnells
- Dani Jo Lange, South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
- Chelsea Arensdorf, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa
- Chelsy Sonnichsen, Denison FFA, Denison

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

### **Halter Classes**

**Team:** South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

**Individual:** Katie Connolly, Cascade FFA, Cascade

### **Performance Classes**

**Team:** Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

**Individual:** Emily Bunn, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

### **Oral Reasons and Questions**

**Team:** Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

**Individual:** Samantha Wozney, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

### **Problem Solving**

**Team:** Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

#### **Gold Teams (5)**

Score Range (1410 to 1292)

Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Southeast Polk FFA, Runnells

Denison FFA, Denison

Twin Cedars FFA, Bussey

Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

#### **Silver Teams (8)**

Score Range (1259 to 1001)

South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

Central Trail of Leon FFA, Leon

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Cascade FFA, Cascade

Charles City FFA, Charles City

Midland FFA, Wyoming

Fort Madison FFA, Fort Madison

Iowa Valley FFA, Marengo

#### **Participation Teams (6)**

Score Range (855 to 519)

DeWitt Central FFA, DeWitt

Algona FFA, Algona

North Mahaska FFA, New Sharon

Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton

Williamsburg Hawkeye FFA, Williamsburg

Guthrie Center Tiger FFA, Guthrie Center

The Iowa FFA Association has 234 local chapters with nearly 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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