



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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2004 Iowa FFA Meats Career Development Event

The Denison FFA Chapter from Denison was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Meats Evaluation Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on August 28, 2004. Members of the first place team included: Spencer Nelson, Jessica Slavik, and Jordan Struck. Their Ag Education instructor is Mr. Randall Kuhlmann, Mr. Tim Baughman and Mr. Joe Smith. The South O'Brien FFA Chapter from Paullina was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Charles Corcoran, Andrew Dau, Michael Haden and Clayton Hoermann. Their Ag Education instructor is Mr. Eric Kumm. Jordan Struck, from the Denison FFA Chapter, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition. FFA teams from 22 chapters including 73 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 Meats Evaluation. Activities included: placing carcass classes of beef, pork, and lamb; placing classes of wholesale and retail meat cuts; quality and yield grading beef carcasses; identifying retail meat cuts, and a problem solving activity.

The Meats Evaluation Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Brian Lindley and other faculty and staff with the Meat Science Department at Iowa State University.

Excel Corporation, Hormel Foods Corporation, Oscar Mayer Foods Corporation, Premium Standard Farms and Tyson Foods, Inc, through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque. Omaha Steaks, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the plaques for the Reserve Champion Team, Champion Individual, the Reserve Champion Individual, and the Top Problem Solving Team. Townsend Engineering Company, Des Moines, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the Top Team plaques in the following areas: Carcass Classes, Retail/Wholesale Cuts, Beef Quality/Yield Grading, and Retail Cut Identification. Webster City Custom Meats, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the Top Individual plaques in the following areas: Carcass Classes, Retail/Wholesale Cuts, Beef Quality/Yield Grading, Retail Cut Identification, and Problem Solving. The Iowa State Fair, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored a Cash Award for Travel to the National FFA Career Development Event for the Champion Team and a Cash Award for National Western Contest Registration for the Reserve Champion Team. The Iowa State Fair also sponsored a Champion Team trophy and ribbons for the 10 high scoring individuals and 10 high scoring teams.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Denison FFA, Denison
- 2 South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
- 3 Wapello FFA, Wapello
- 4 Maquoketa FFA, Maquoketa
- 5 Sioux Center FFA, Sioux Center
- 6 Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
- 7 Starmont FFA, Arlington
- 8 Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton
- 9 North Fayette FFA, West Union
- 10 Nashua-Plainfield FFA, Nashua

Top 10 Individuals

- Jordon Struck, Denison FFA, Denison
Jessica Slavik, Denison FFA, Denison
Clayton Hoermann, South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
Andrew Dau, South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
Steven Kerr, Wapello FFA, Wapello
Michael Haden, South O'Brien FFA, Paullina
Kyle Carpenter, Wapello FFA, Wapello
Allison Haney, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine
Sloan Felten, Maquoketa FFA, Maquoketa
Tracy Yelden, Starmont FFA, Arlington

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Placing Carcass Classes

Team: South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

Individual: Allison Haney, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Placing Wholesale and Retail Cuts

Team: South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

Individual: Andrew Dau, South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

Beef Quality and Yield Grading

Team: Denison FFA, Denison

Individual: Jordon Struck, Denison FFA, Denison

Retail Cut Identification

Team: Denison FFA, Denison

Individual: Luke Goddard, Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Problem Solving Activity

Team: South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

Individual: Jordon Struck, Denison FFA, Denison

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (8)

Score Range (1629 to 1410)

Denison

South O'Brien FFA, Paullina

Wapello FFA, Wapello

Maquoketa FFA, Maquoketa

Sioux Center FFA, Sioux Center

Muscatine FFA, Muscatine

Starmont FFA, Arlington

Vinton-Shellsburg FFA, Vinton

Silver Teams (7)

Score Range (1348 to 1277)

North Fayette FFA, West Union

Nashua-Plainfield FFA, Nashua

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Cascade FFA, Cascade

Monticello FFA, Monticello

Belle Plaine FFA, Belle Plaine

Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi

Bronze Teams (3)

Score Range (1164 to 937)

Wall Lake View Auburn FFA, Lake View

Creston FFA, Creston

Van Buren FFA, Keosauqua

Participation Teams (4)

Score Range (777 to 697)

Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank

Maple Valley FFA, Mapleton

Southeast Polk FFA, Runnells

Rockford FFA, Rockford

The Iowa FFA Association has 236 local chapters with nearly 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 455,000 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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