

# FFA

## *The National Organization of Agriculture Students*

Oregon FFA members,

Impossible. That's what I told Mr. Arp, my advisor who still towers over me, when he handed me a packet that labeled "Days Creek FFA Junior Officer Application". He had told me if I didn't take it, he was going to call my mother. I didn't believe him... I shrugged this off as I went throughout my day and onto volleyball practice. Later that day when I was picked up from practice, I had gotten into the car with my mother and she handed me the packet I refused to take earlier. I took the packet and said that I would do it later. When I had it out later to fill it out, it felt like hours I was staring at the confusing process. Little did I know that filling out that application was the start of something big. I returned it to Mr. Arp the next day and he put his hand on my shoulder and said "Good job Jenmas, I promise you'll be surprised of what comes out of this."



Since then, I've lived my legacy, I've broken through, I've reached my summit, and now I plan to illuminate the benefits of the Oregon FFA Association to share them with others not yet on our team.

We can all admit at, one time or another, we were all nervous and scared. When I put my blue corduroy jacket on, I feel a rush of confidence and the feeling that I can take on the world. I would love to be able to have the chance to help members gain that confidence within themselves. Whether it's as simple a thing as being themselves in a small group, or something big, like speaking on stage at State Convention for a CDE, I want to help them achieve their dreams just like my advisors have helped me.

As we say in Days Creek, "The strength of the pack is the wolf, the strength of the wolf is the pack." I am only one person, but when I have members from over 100 chapters behind me, we can and will be able to do anything. Oregon is a beautiful place; the people are amazing; traditions are held strong and close to heart and FFA is one of those traditions. I was at the 84<sup>th</sup> State Convention in Corvallis and I have made the full circle back to OSU. I am so excited and pumped to see all the members at Oregon State University as we commence the 88<sup>th</sup> annual Oregon FFA State Convention!

Oregon FFA, I have one thing left to say...

"We are only as strong as we are united, as weak as we are divided."

Jennifer Massey,

Days Creek FFA Chapter President



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**FFA:**

- Rituals (2012-2015)
- Tractor Driving (2012-2014)
- Soils (2013-2014)
- Chapter Banquet (2013-2016)
- Umpqua Leadership Conference (2013, 2015)
- Umpqua Leadership Camp (2012-2015)
- Extemporaneous Speaking (2015-2016)
- Banquet Committee (2013-2016)
- Small Animal Production Proficiency (2013-2016)
- Goat Production Proficiency (2013-2016)
- Poultry Production Proficiency (2013-2016)
- Forestry (2013-2015)
- Prepared Public Speaking (2013-2014)
- Floriculture (2014)
- State Convention (2013-2015)
- Market Lamb (2013-2015)
- Douglas County Fair (2013-2015)
- Oregon State Fair (2013-2015)
- Livestock Judging (2012-2015)
- Equine Science Proficiency (2013-2016)
- Days Creek FFA Chapter President (2015-2016)
- Days Creek FFA Chapter Vice President (2014-2015)
- Chapter FFA Degree (2013)
- Greenhand FFA Degree (2014)
- State FFA Degree (2015)
- Days Creek FFA Chapter Junior Reporter (2012-2013)
- Days Creek FFA Chapter Junior Secretary (2013-2014)

**Other:**

- Terra Vita 4-H President (2012-2016)
- Varsity Track and Field (2013-2016)
- Varsity Basketball (2012-2016)
- Varsity Volleyball (2012-2015)
- Varsity Softball (2016)
- Days Creek Jr. Stockmen Secretary (2014)
- NWODGA Grand Champion Goat Showman (2015)
- ADGA Nationals (2015)
- National Honor Society (2015-2016)
- Days Creek Rural Fire Department Volunteer (2014-2016)
- UCAN (2012-2014)
- Mission Trip (2012, 2013)
- Varsity Track and Field Co-Capitan (2014-2016)