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# Crater FFA Chapter

Dear Oregon FFA,

As a wild-spirited 8-year-old, I had big dreams of becoming a rodeo queen. My horse, Sugar, and I would ride circles around the pasture with our heads held high and hair flying, pretending to wave to the roaring crowds. Sugar was the reason that I dreamed big and loved hard. Training this 1,200-pound animal as a 50 pound 2nd-grader, I gained confidence and felt valuable when I discovered what I was capable of high in the saddle. As my confidence in my capabilities grew, Sugar's capabilities began to deplete. I found out that Sugar was going blind. I thought this was the end of the world. Could I still ride her when she couldn't see?

The solution rang clear, literally: a bell. We were given the idea to tie a bell around the neck of her pasture mate. Wherever he went, the bell would ring. Sugar could listen for the bell and learn to trust the sound that would lead her where she needed to go. Sugar (quite literally) had blind faith; by trusting the sound that would lead her even when she couldn't see ahead. In life, we find ourselves facing unexpected challenges and perceived failures. Sometimes these challenges make us feel blind to our surroundings and the future ahead. Just like Sugar, when we face setbacks, we may have trouble finding our way when taking the next step.

Oregon FFA, we are fortunate, because just like Sugar trusted her friend enough to follow the sound of the bell, we have friends holding bells all around us. These friends guide us when we can't see the next step, making us feel valuable even when we feel unworthy. I am thrilled to announce my candidacy for the 2021-2022 Oregon FFA State Officer team! As we head into the 93rd State Convention, I encourage all of us to ring the bells for those around us, and listen for the sound of the bell that rings true to our undeniable value.

Wholeheartedly,

Isabel D'Acquisto  
2019-2020 Crater FFA President  
2020-2021 Crater FFA Reporter



**“Shine brightly. See beauty.  
Speak kindly. Love truly.  
Give freely. Create joyfully.  
Live thankfully.”**

**-Mary Davis**

**Freshman Year  
(2017-2018)**

**Degree Held: Greenhand**

**FFA Events**

- Sheep SAE
- Goat SAE
- Rabbit SAE
- Turkey SAE
- SO Greenhand Conference
- Chapter Spaghetti Feed
- Christmas at the FFarm
- Chapter Banquet
- District Parliamentary Procedure
- Chapter Barbecue
- Chapter Plant Sale
- Chapter Workdays
- Chapter Christmas Movie Night
- Chapter Meetings
- FFA Alumni Auction
- Rotary Auction

**Other Events:**

- ISpike Club Volleyball
- "Hop to it Gems" Rabbit 4-H Club President
- 4-H Club Christmas Party
- Mock Trial Regional Contest (Witness)
- Mock Trial Local Contest (Opening)
- 4-H Benefit Auction
- Northwest Nature Shop Presentation
- Purina Lamb Fitting Clinic
- 4-H Lamb Feeding Clinic
- Volunteer at Country Fair BBQ
- Volunteer at America's Best Kid Daycare Center
- Jewett Elementary Reading Buddy
- Honor Roll- Academic Achievement
- Jackson County Spring Fair Rabbit/Lamb Show
- Jackson County Fair Goat/Turkey Show

**Sophomore Year  
(2018-2019)**

**Degree Held: Chapter**

**FFA Events**

- Sheep SAE
- Goat SAE
- Rabbit SAE
- Turkey SAE
- Sophomore Prepared Speaking Rogue Valley Invitational
- Veterinary Science
- State Livestock Judging
- Douglas County Fair Livestock Judging
- Jackson County Fair Livestock Judging
- Christmas at the FFarm
- Chapter Banquet
- Chapter Alumni Auction
- District Proficiency Day
- Chapter Christmas Movie Night
- Spaghetti Feed
- Rotary Auction
- Chapter Workdays
- Chapter Plant Sale
- OR FFA State Convention
- Chapter meetings
- Friends of the Fair Foundation Dinner
- Elementary School Tours

**Other Events:**

- Mock Trial
- 4-H Junior Leader
- 4-H Club Christmas Party
- National Honor Society
- Crater Academic Achievement
- Crater Citizenship Award
- Student of the Month
- 4-H Club Fundraiser

**Junior Year  
(2019-2020)**

**Degree Held: State**

**Office Held:**

**Chapter President**

**FFA Events**

- Southern Oregon District Leadership Camp
- Chapter Officer Retreat
- Greenhand Conference
- Sheep SAE
- Rogue Valley Invitational
- Southern Oregon District Prepared Speaking
- Sectional Prepared Speaking
- State Veterinary Science
- OR FFA Virtual State Convention
- Christmas at the FFarm
- Chapter movie night
- Chapter BBQ
- Chapter Spaghetti Feed
- Alumni Auction
- Crater FFA Barn Dance
- FFA Week Committee
- Chapter workdays
- State Degree Presentation
- Crater Foundation Auction
- Denim & Diamonds Auction
- Beginning Speaking Contest Judge
- Jason Wetzler's Virtual Public Speaking Contest

**Other Events:**

- National Honor Society
- Crater Academic Achievement
- 4-H Goat Project
- 4-H Rabbit Project
- 4-H Junior Leader
- Tutoring middle school and high school students.

**Senior Year  
(2020-2021)**

**Degree Held: State**

**Office Held:**

**Chapter Reporter**

**FFA Events**

- Sheep SAE
- Swine SAE
- Crater Animal Clinic SAE
- Extemporaneous Speaking
- Job Interview LDE
- District Ag Sales
- Chapter Public Speaking Coach
- Chapter Plant Sale manager
- New Member Meeting
- Virtual Leadership Camp
- Kourtney Lehman's Virtual Workshop
- Kansas/Oregon FFA Advocacy Workshop
- Kolesen McCoy/Florida FFA Virtual Workshop
- Positive Mindset Workshop Facilitator
- Ag in the classroom
- FFA Week Committee
- Adopt a family
- Virtual State Office Candidate Training
- Kansas/Oregon FFA Virtual Trivia Night

**Other Events:**

- National Honor Society
- 4-H Junior Leader
- 4-H Cloverbud Fair Judge
- Crater Bible Study Club
- Southern Oregon Fire Relief
- District 6 Superintendent Hiring Committee