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Dear Oregon FFA,

How many opportunities for growth have you forfeited due to fear? No doubt about it, fear is paralyzing, but where do we draw the line in order to prevent it from consuming us? Recently, I had a struggle overcoming my fear of joining a local crossfit gym; negative thoughts and worries were clouding my mind—dragging the process out. When it finally comes time for me to attend my first class, it starts off with repetitions of banded squats, side planks, push-ups, reverse lunges, and step ups. I am slightly winded, but not as exhausted as I had thought I would be. Unfortunately, this feeling of victory is short-lived, the coach says, “ok time for the work-out!” I began to feel discouraged, everyone was stronger, quicker, and had better technique than me. I was suddenly distracted from my problems when my eyes wandered and caught a phrase at the top of the wall:

“This place will change you, if you let it.”

When I finally joined I discovered so many areas to expand on: endurance, strength, movement, technique, and so much more. Finding room for improvement is not something to be ashamed of, because it provides further opportunities to discover your best self. When I decided to conquer my fear, I was not embarrassed about all the progress I had yet to make, I was excited. I found value in learning what I needed to work on, because it would lead me closer to becoming my best self. This is in fact, true of any circumstance we are faced with, opportunity for us to improve is always there, all we have to do is accept the challenge. I learned to accept the fact that progress takes time, and that every opportunity presents a chance for us to continue building our strengths, adding to our skill sets, and sharpening our character.

Oregon FFA, coming from a person who has experienced fear, I promise you that amazing things come when you choose to be brave! Do not be afraid to commit to something that scares you. Do not be afraid to come in last. Do not be afraid of failure. Be afraid of missed opportunities.

I am beyond blessed to announce my candidacy for the 2022-23 Oregon FFA State Officer team! As we head into the 94th Oregon FFA State Convention, be excited to embrace fear and allow it to lead us to discover our true potential!

Graciously,

Jessie C. Samarin

Freshman
2018-19

FFA

Star Greenhand FFA Degree
District Creed Speaking - 1st
Sectional Creed Speaking - 1st
State Creed Speaking - 1st
Nat'l Creed Speaking - bronze
Horse Evaluation - 4th place
team, 13th place individual
Veterinary Science
District Leadership Camp
OR FFA State Convention
Food for All
Clackamas County Fair
Market Hog SAE
Cow SAE
Horse SAE
Canby FFA Banquet
Canby FFA Alumni Banquet
Chapter Thanksgiving
Oregon Ag Fest
Rotary Club Presentation
Tulip Festival Parking
Tack Sale Parking
Football Concessions

School

OHSET (Oregon High School
Equestrian Team)
Honor Roll

Other

Canby Bethany Church
Youth Group
Canby Bethany Church
Rummage Sale volunteer
Zion Vacation Bible School
Activity Preparation
Stacy Barker Roping Clinic

Sophomore
2019-20

FFA

Chapter Secretary
Chapter FFA Degree
Sophomore Public Speaking
Dist. Extemp. Public Speaking
Secretary's Book
Veterinary Science
Virtual Horse Evaluation
WLC Scholarship Recipient
District Leadership Camp
National FFA Convention
Virtual OR FFA State
Convention
Clackamas County Fair
Market Hog SAE
Cow SAE
Horse SAE
Canby FFA Alumni Banquet
Chapter Thanksgiving
Canby School Board
Presentation
Farm Bureau Presentation
Rotary Club Presentation
Kiwanas Club Presentation
Tack Sale Parking
Football Concessions

School

OHSET (Oregon High School
Equestrian Team)
Honor Roll

Other

Canby Bethany Church
Youth Group
Winter Camp
Stacy Barker Roping Clinic
McDaniel Training Stables

Junior
2020-21

FFA

Chapter President
Mt. Hood District Secretary
Dist. Exempt. Speaking - 1st
Sect. Exempt. Speaking - 1st
State Exempt. Speaking - 2nd
Veterinary Science Virtual
1st Place Team at State
Nat'l Veterinary Science
Bronze Team Award
Virtual Dist. Meet & Greet
OR FFA Virtual Leadership
Conference
Virtual OR FFA State
Convention
Ag In the Classroom Project
Canby FFA Banquet
Ugly Sweater Contest
Cow SAE
Horse SAE
Feed the Linemen Event
Tulip Festival Parking

School

Honor Roll

Other

Canby Bethany Church
Youth Group
Baptism
Horse rides for foster children
McDaniel Training Stables

Senior
2021-22

FFA

Chapter President
Mt. Hood District President
State FFA Degree
District Job Interview - 1st
Prepared Public Speaking
Food Science
District Leadership Day
OR FFA State Convention
National FFA Convention
Oregon District Officer Training
Living 2 Serve Conference
FFA State Executive Meeting
Cow SAE
Horse SAE
Ag In the Classroom Project
Living 2 Serve Grant
Canby School Board
Presentation
Canby FFA Alumni Banquet

School

Honor Roll
Econ Summit

Other

Canby Bethany Church
Youth Group & high school
Discipleship Team
Canby Bethany Church Middle
School Camp Counselor
Zion Vacation Bible School
Group Leader
Pure Seed Summer Crew
McDaniel Training Stables

