

FFA

The National Organization of Agriculture Students



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Dear Oregon FFA,

What has always caused you to strive for excellence? Maybe some encouraging words from your parents, or a super enthusiastic coach? For me it has always been that purple ribbon, handed out to the person that has sacrificed the most time and resources to create a project with unbelievable excellence. I only have one question for you Oregon FFA... What happens when the competition **WE** compete in doesn't award a ribbon? A contest you spend sixty, seventy, even eighty years on. The competition I'm talking about is life. While it may not give a champion belt buckle, or a massive deep purple rosette, it does give a level of accomplishment. While most people jump into this battle open minded and un-prepared, we are very fortunate - the 540,000 members of this wonderful organization get a blue and gold jacket (and its experiences) to boost them through life's challenges.

Every person wakes up for a reason. For some its school, some it's a job and some because they are forced to. But why do we **NEED** to wake up to something if it doesn't truly spark your interest? For me, the intent I grace upon everyday is having the ability **TO** make a positive impact on everyone I meet. After the dedication, time, and patience this organization has invested in me, I feel that it is only right that I give my whole-hearted attempt everyday to the FFA world I continue to live in. This **IMPACT** is undeniably the best aspiration one can strive for. Whether you choose to participate in this organization, or are forced to - just know it will make an everlasting impact on **EVERYONE** you're involved with.

There is a message in this letter: **WE-NEED-TO-IMPACT-EVERYONE**. It could be a couple of conveniently misplaced capitals, or it could be a mission statement of a person who honestly loves what some call an organization, but we the members know it as our family. Whether a state FFA office for myself is obtained or not, my attitude and service towards the family that has made me will not be changed or distorted. It is with great excitement and compassion that I announce my candidacy for the 2012-2013 Oregon FFA State Office Team! I know this year will be exciting and filled with growth and success for Oregon FFA. I look forward to seeing you all at the 84th Oregon State Convention in Hermiston!

Sincerely,

Mitch Salo
Canby FFA Chapter President
Mt. Hood District President

"Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which have been overcome while trying to succeed."

Booker T. Washington

The FFA Motto

"Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve"

FRESHMAN
2008-09

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Soils Judging
Creed Speaking
Veterans Day Parade
Chapter dessert auction
Greenhand Degree
Outstanding Freshman
State Livestock Judging
Mid Columbia Jr. Lvstck.Show
Beef Showmanship
District Leadership Camp
Chapter Poinsettia Sale
Parliamentary Procedure
Oregon State Fair
District Convention
Clackamas County Fair
Flock and Fiber Clean Up

Other

Canby High School Baseball
Choir
Jr. Angus Association
Jr. Shorthorn Association
4-H
Honor Roll

SOPHOMORE
2009-10

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Chapter Sentinel
District Rituals (1st)
Soil Judging
Parliamentary Procedure
Ag. Sales (6th state)
Beef Showmanship
Swine showmanship
District Leadership Camp
Oregon State Convention
Washington Leadership Conf.
Alumni Banquet
Mid Columbia Jr. Lvstck.Show
Oregon State Fair
Officer Retreat
Swine proficiencies
Beef Proficiencies
Swine proficiencies
Diversified Livestock Profic.
Flock and Fiber Clean Up

Other

Canby High School Baseball
Concert A Cappella Choir
Jr. Angus Association
Jr. Shorthorn Association
4-H
NJSA
Oregon Jr. Pork Producers
California Pork Producers
CCSA

JUNIOR
2010-11

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District Reporter
Parliamentary Procedure
Ag. Sales (5th state)
Adv.Prepared public speaking
District Leadership Camp
Oregon State Convention
Oregon State Fair
Clackamas County Fair
Beef Showmanship
Swine showmanship
National FFA convention
Livestock Judging
Beef Proficiencies
Swine proficiencies
Diversified Livestock Profic.
FFA Alumni Banquet
State Exec. Committee (April)
State Degree
Community Service Chair
Flock and Fiber Clean Up

Other

Varsity Track and Field
Concert A Cappella Choir
Jr. Angus Association
Jr. Shorthorn Association
4-H
4-H Junior Leader
NJSA
Oregon Jr. Pork Producers
California Pork Producers
CCSA

SENIOR
2011-12

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District President
Chapter President
Ag. Sales (6th state)
State Livestock Judging (2nd)
National FFA Convention
Oregon State Convention
District Leadership Camp
Rituals (1st)
District Convention
Ag. Sales (1st Individual)
State Executive Meetings
Alumni Banquet
Parliamentary Procedure
Christmas Caroling
Flock and Fiber Clean Up
Flock and Fiber Parking
Repr. (Kiwanis, Boosters, Rotary)
Kiwanis lunch presentation
Rotary lunch presentation

Other

Concert A Cappella Choir
Jr. Angus Association
Jr. Shorthorn Association
4-H
4-H Junior Leader
NJSA
Oregon Jr. Pork Producers
California Pork Producers
CCSA

