



The National FFA Organization

Willamina FFA Chapter

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Dear Oregon FFA Members,

Seven years ago, my life changed forever. With the flashing lights and the booming music, I was lost in the moment. Masses of people surrounded me, as I stayed close to my parents' side. To my eleven year old self, the moment was tantalizing. Although I was young and timid I knew that this was where I wanted to be. I know that that night didn't just affect me; it mesmerized the thousands of people who were there. That night, the six state FFA officers brought the gavel down in Corvallis, and kicked off the 79th state convention!

2007 was also the year I wore official dress for the first time in my life. The girl's jacket didn't belong to me and neither did the scarf and belt my sister borrowed so that I could participate in the livestock judging contest. While I wasn't thrilled about the girl's clothes, I had to be thankful that I got to wear my own shoes, not the two inch heels sitting in the tack area. Still, nothing could stifle my excitement to be participating in my first FFA judging contest. That year, I embarked on a journey, a journey that would stretch the course of many years, thousands of miles, and lots of steer slobber.

My life in the FFA has opened my eyes to more than my home town of Willamina. From a timid 6th grader dressed half in girl's official dress to a graduating senior looking forward to the future, the FFA has transformed me in more ways than I would have thought possible. I feel it is my time and responsibility to give back to this organization that has done so much for me.

Oregon FFA, I want to dedicate the next year to serving you! Together, we can open doors, make memories, and live our legacies! I am exhilarated and proud to announce my candidacy to serve on your 2013-2014 Oregon FFA State Officer Team. State convention promises to be the experience of a lifetime as I come a full 360 degrees, to where it all started, and to where I will see all of you on March 23rd!

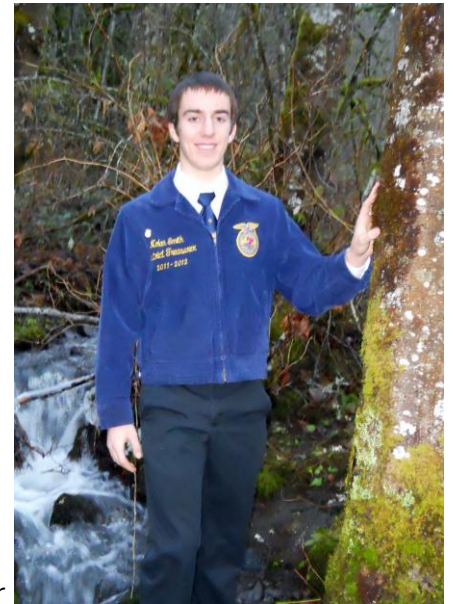
Sincerely,

Nolan Smith
Willamina FFA Chapter President
Lower Willamette District Treasurer

"We are what we repeatedly do.

Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

-Aristotle



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.

Senior

FFA

Chapter President
District Treasurer
District Soils CDE
FFA Silent Auction
Kiwanis Community Presentation
Hampton and Affiliates Presentation
Leadership Camp (planning/attending)
360 Conference (planning/attending)
Food for All food drive
District Volleyball
Parliamentary Procedure CDE
(District 3rd)
Prepared Public Speaking CDE

Other

Varsity Football
(all league honorable mention)
Ohio State Fair- cattle fitter
Booster Club Auction
Honor Roll (4.0)
Honor Society

Junior

FFA

Chapter President
District Treasurer
State Degree Recipient
Leadership camp planning/attending
Ag Sales CDE (District 7th high individual)
National Convention
Chapter meetings
School board presentation
Food for All Volunteer
Christmas tree sales
Parliamentary Procedure CDE
(District 3rd, sectional 4th)
Prepared Public Speaking (District 3rd)
District Volleyball
North West Ag Show
District Convention
(Elected District Treasurer)
State Convention (delegate)
Diversified Livestock Proficiency
(State 2nd)
Envirothon
District Welding CDE
Spring Classic Jackpot
Tygh Valley Jackpot
(Reserve Champion Senior Showman)
Polk County Fair:
Reserve Champion Steer
Supreme Swine Female
Champion Beef Showman
Champion Swine Showman
Champion Master Showman
Livestock Judging (1st high individual)

Activities

Other

Varsity Football
Varsity Baseball
Honor Roll (4.0)
Honor Society
SMART reading volunteer
Easter Egg Hunt Volunteer

Sophomore

FFA

Chapter Treasurer
District Ag Sales CDE (District 9th)
Washington Leadership Conference
Star Chapter Farmer
District Soils CDE
District Leadership Camp
State Fair Cleanup Volunteer
Chapter Meetings
Christmas tree sales
State Convention
Advanced Parliamentary Procedure CDE
(District 3rd, sectionals 4th)
Beef Placement Proficiency- (state 1st)
Donkey Basketball
Chapter Banquet
Envirothon
District Welding CDE
District Crops CDE
District Convention
(elected District Treasurer)
Clackamas County Fair Livestock Judging
(3rd individual)
Yamhill County Fair Livestock Judging
(5th high individual, 1st place team)
Polk County Fair:
Champion Swine Showman
Reserve Champion Master Showman
Reserve Champion Market Steer
Champion Swine Exhibitor
Supreme Swine Female
Livestock Judging
(3rd high individual, 1st place team)
State Fair beef/swine exhibitor
State Fair Livestock Judging

Other

JV/Varsity Football
JV/Varsity Wrestling
JV/Varsity Baseball
Youth Football Volunteer
SMART Reading
National Honor Society
Honor Roll (4.0)
Easter Egg Hunt Volunteer
Community Pond Cleanup

Freshman

FFA

Beginning Ag Sales CDE
District Soils CDE
Creed Speaking CDE (District 4th)
FFA Silent Auction
Beginning Parliamentary Procedure CDE
(District 2nd, Sectionals 4th)
Timberline Officer Retreat
State Convention
Beef Placement Proficiency Committee
District Volleyball
Food for All food drive
CDE Days Livestock Judging
Envirothon (state- 4th)
Star Chapter Greenhand
FFA Dessert
Chapter Banquet
Clackamas County Fair Livestock Judging
(4th individual)
Yamhill County Fair Livestock Judging
(1st high individual, 1st place team)
Polk County Fair:
Champion Market Steer
Champion Market Hog
Supreme Swine Female
Reserve Champion Beef Showman
Reserve Champion Swine Showman
State Fair Livestock Judging
State Fair beef/swine exhibitor

Other

JV/Varsity Football
JV/Varsity Baseball
Freshman class treasurer
Honor roll (4.0)
Community Pond Cleanup
Academic All Star

8th Grade

FFA

Polk County Fair Livestock Judging
CDE Days Livestock Judging
State Fair Livestock Judging
Chapter Banquet
State Convention
State Fair Cleanup
State Fair beef/swine exhibitor
Food for All food drive

Other

Honor Roll (4.0)
Football
Track
Baseball
National Junior Honor Society
4-H Member