



The National Organization of Agriculture Students



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“Good leaders must first become good servants” - Robert Greenleaf

Greetings Oregon FFA Members:

I remember thinking, “What did I get myself into?” as I walked through the doorway into the ag room headed to my first ever competition: job interview. I had been talking to my advisor for the last several weeks, and he had somehow convinced me to make a resume and cover letter and try my hand at interviewing. Before this, my only experience with interviews was a farmer asking me if I knew how to drive stick shift, so the prospect of having three judges asking me serious questions was a little daunting. I walked into the ag room the morning of the contest and was greeted with a smile from my advisor and chapter president. I nervously checked and rechecked my paperwork to ensure everything was in order and then loaded the bus for the contest.

By the end of that day, I had finished my first contest and was privileged to hang my bright red banner up on the wall. Even though I did not get the coveted blue banner, I still returned home with a sense of pride that I had never felt before. I saw my recognition being placed next to all the best competitors in my chapter and I knew from that moment that I was hooked on this thing called the FFA.

That first experience and so many others like it have led me to fall in love with the National FFA Organization. Moments like this have pushed me to run for chapter and district offices which have revealed my deep passion for leadership, service and agriculture. Whether during leadership camp or State Executive meetings or even just the bus rides to contests, I have cherished and learned from every moment I have been given these past couple of years.

Oregon FFA, I am pleased to announce my candidacy for a position on the 2017-2018 State Officer Team. I hope you will provide me the chance to lead you through this coming year as together, we become the future of agriculture.

Sincerely,

Jensen Kemble
Ontario FFA President
Snake River District FFA President -



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.