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Dear Oregon FFA,

Trying to write this letter I didn't know what to say. Should I tell you about myself, or my FFA experience, should I try and be funny and personal, or maybe a little inspirational? I honestly had no idea what to do. I only know one thing for sure, that throughout my years in FFA I have fallen in love with this organization. Aspects of the FFA like life-long skills, competitions, opportunities, memories, and most importantly the people, are all parts that I have come to love and cherish about this organization; an organization that has changed my life.

We all know the many skills that we gain through FFA and how they can be used throughout life after high school. The traits we have learned through competitions and social gatherings are just a few examples of the skills that can be used in our future. The FFA organization prepares you for life and gives you the ability to leave high school with confidence. However, that is the problem I am having this year. While I am excited to begin my journey after high school, I am not ready to hang up my blue corduroy jacket or leave the people I have met behind, and move on from my FFA journey.

I can honestly say I have fallen in love with FFA. It has given me a passion, a drive, and enthusiasm one might compare to a spark. It has inspired me, helped my character grow, and has shaped me into the young man I have become today. I have had several leaders through the FFA help me find my passion and helped ignite that spark into a fire inside me. It is that burning fire that has fueled my desire to serve the Oregon FFA Organization!

Announcing my candidacy for the Oregon FFA 2019-2020 State Officer Team is just one of many ways I plan to give back to this great organization. I want to help members find their spark that lights a fire inside of them!

Sincerely,

Keegan Gibbs

"Know what sparks the light inside you.

Then use that light to illuminate the World."

-Oprah Winfrey

