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Hello Oregon FFA!

When I was a little kid my cousins, my sister, and I would spend a lot of time at grandma's house and one thing we loved to do was play outside. Our favorite game was house. We had "families" and we would make "food" for hours. The hardest part of this game was getting water to make our "food". You see, the hose didn't reach all the way to the playhouse so we would have to fill up buckets and carry them to the playhouse. This was very hard work for seven year olds, and I, being the strongest was always the one who had to do it. Eventually, my small, weak arms had grown very tired of this. I remember I was making some sort of mud pie and I dumped a bunch of dirt into my coffee can of water, and the water level went up. This blew my child-like mind. I thought to myself, "adding dirt to the water gives you more water." I thought I had beat the system, that I would never have to struggle to carry another bucket of water back to the playhouse. I got up and told the others of my great discovery. They were also amazed at first, until my smarter, older cousin ruined it. She had the facts and proved us wrong.



This story hit me one night as I laid in bed. I thought that the bucket, the dirt, and water have a greater representation here. The buckets are our lives, and water is good and the dirt is bad. Sometimes we add dirt to our buckets because it looks like it's helping us, but in reality it's only creating a muddy mess. We can only get more water, or more goodness, if we fill our lives with it. People will come into our lives and either add water, or dirt to our buckets. The people that are adding water are caring, and loving, they want the best for you. These people are the types of people that I have found in this wonderful organization.

I always think of this story and it reminds me to always add water to people's buckets, and that's exactly what I want to do. Fellow Oregon FFA members, let me add water to your bucket this year. It is with overwhelming joy that I announce my candidacy for the 2020-21 Oregon FFA State Officer Team.

With sincere appreciation,

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